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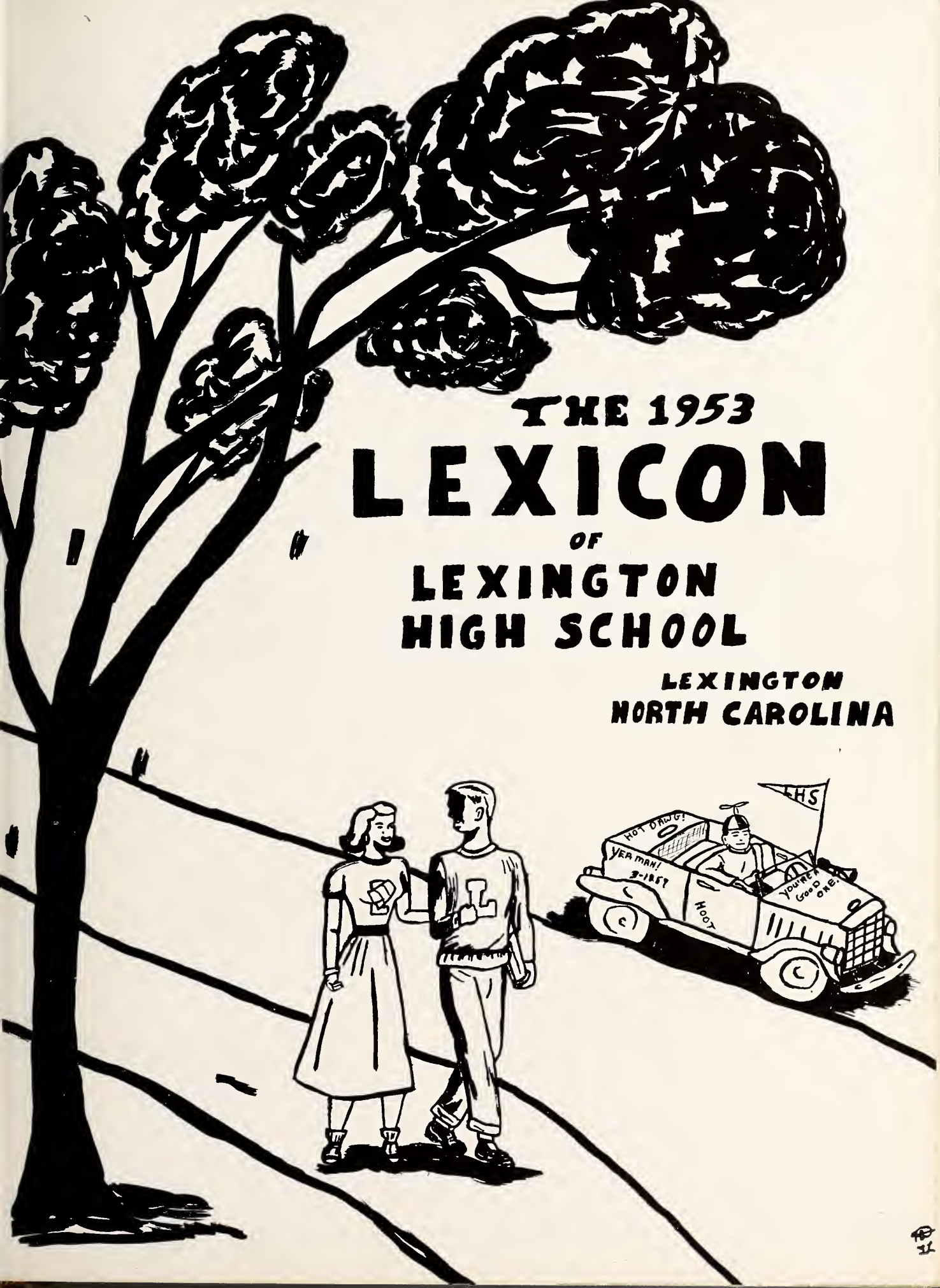


THE 1953 LEXICON OF LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

LEXINGTON
NORTH CAROLINA

"And name it gratitude the word is poor"

Laughter, sincerity, deep interest, and love of life are the instructor's prerequisites to establishing a permanent place in the hearts of students.

Each of us students has walked across this threshold into this class. We may lose some of the details of the course, but never its impression.

The personality that fits everywhere—the heart that understands everyone—the face that laughs at everything—makes possible this impression.

We, of the staff of the 1953 LEXICON dedicate our work bound in this book to the guiding and helpful hand of *Miss Charlotte Matthews.*

"For it is a pleasure, too, to remember"

To the Lexicon photographer, Johnnie Lee Wilson, Jr., this page is dedicated in loving memory. Many pages of this year's annual contain the pictures and snapshots taken by Johnnie, and these will be an ever-present reminder of his interest, work, and enthusiasm in an activity that he loved.

Although in reality Johnnie Wilson has left the ranks of the one hundred and ten Seniors of the Class of 1953, his zest for life, his politeness of manner, his geniality of spirit, and his quality of friendliness will long live in the hearts of his fellow classmates.

"Remembrance is the only Paradise out of which we cannot be driven."

Johnnie, we'll remember.

Year In, Year Out

Year in, year out, our administrative officers are always as a lighted candle to our progress. Mr. L. E. Andrews, city superintendent, is a versatile, friendly person ready to give of his time to those who wish to consult him. Ranking tops in sterling example is Mr. C. E. Wike, our principal. The hopes, ideas, plans, and work of these two men became a reality in early spring. The student parade from the old high school to the new represented not only a celebration, but a realization of greater opportunities and progress to the citizens of Lexington. These citizens have saluted the administration for taking the lead in this transition. Now we students salute both the towns people and administration for their sight to the future, and say a sincere, "Thank you."

Education has reached a greater peak in Lexington under the skillful direction of Mr. L. E. Andrews, superintendent of the city schools.

Mr. C. E. Wike, principal, has done much toward making Lexington High School a highly-rated school. By his helpful, sympathetic attitude, he has won the popularity of both students and faculty. *Right:* Without the efficiency, patience, and consistency of Miss Hazel Frady, Mrs. G. B. Miller, and Mrs. Alene Frady, our secretaries, L.H.S. could not go on as it should.

First row, left to right:

Mrs. L. E. Berry, *English, Math;* Mr. Harold Bowen, *Driving, General Science;* Mrs. Harold Bowen, *Business Education;* Mr. Carroll Bowen, *Physical Education.*

Second row:

Miss Jean Brooks, *Social Science, Glee Club;* Mr. Frank Clark, *Sociology, Geography·* Mrs. Seaford Crouse; *Eighth Grade;* Mrs. S. J. Erwin, *Eighth Grade.*

Third row:

Miss Hazel Frady, *Secretary;* Mrs. Roland Gibson, *Eighth Grade;* Miss Marie Gilliam, *French, Algebra;* Mr. A. B. Hardee, *Industrial Arts.*

Fourth row:

Mrs. A. B. Hardee, *Eighth Grade;* Mrs. Allie Harris, *Eighth Grade;* Mrs. Ottis Hedrick, *English, Lexhipep;* Miss Flayree Hill, *Business Education.*

Fifth row:

Miss Elizabeth Hunt, *Eighth Grade, English;* Miss Lillian Jones, *Latin, English;* Mr Theodore Leonard, *History;* Mrs. Theodore Leonard, *Home Economics.*

Sixth row:

Mrs. Fred B. Lewis, *English;* Miss Janie Manning, *Math;* Miss Charlotte Matthews, *Biology, Chemistry;* Miss Helen McBroom, *Physical Education.*

Seventh row:

Miss Marie Miller, *Eighth Grade;* Mrs. G. B. Miller, *Secretary;* Mr. V. G. Price, *History, Physical Education;* Miss Betty Jo Ring, *English,* Lexicon.

Eighth row:

Mrs. Henry Sink, *Secretary;* Mr. Luther Taylor, *Science;* Miss Harriet Tucker, *Librarian;* Mrs. Belford Wagner, *Band.*

Ninth row:

Mr. Belford Wagner, *Band;* Mr. C. E. Wike, *Principal.*

Teachers Are Humans— Believe it or Not!

Mr. Clark, *first row at left*, is just as "hen pecked" as he says, because on arrival to his house we found him washing the dishes. Miss Gilliam and Miss Tucker, *first row at right*, like for their apartment to be neat, so every afternoon after school they rush home to dust before getting ready for their dates. Mrs. Leonard, *second row at left*, looks relaxed sitting in that comfortable chair as Mr. Leonard does the household chores. Coach Bowen, *second row at right*, just "adores" to cook as Mrs. Bowen stands over him with a "big" rolling pin. Mrs. Lewis, *third row at left*, is as perfect in her home as she is in the classroom. *Third row at right*, Mr. Wike—relaxed, as the students never see him at school—tells Mrs. Wike, Toni Raye, and little Eddy about what happened at school that day. *Fourth row at left:* Playing bridge is a favorite pastime for teachers. Miss Hunt, Miss Miller, Miss Hill, and Miss Ring are not exceptions to that rule. *Fourth row at right:* Just like the bus drivers' holiday, Mr. and Mrs. Wagner (at home), Lexington High's valuable band directors, coach their little daughter, Bonnie.

Classes

Our Seniors head the list,

With Juniors very near;

The Sophomores take the middle,

While the Freshmen bring the rear

"Hello Cruel World"

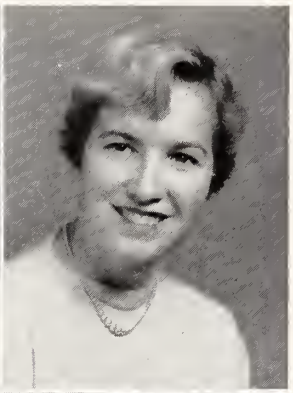
THE OPEN ROAD

The road of yesteryear will soon be gone
Since we have reached the forks of life's highway;
And we go forth to meet the future, alone,
After this—our graduation day.
But now, as a new life for us draws near,
We look back on this road with happy heart,
O'er the fond memories we hold most dear,
For our school life has been the happiest part.
And now, as we go forth on life's highway
To travel both the trod and the untrod,
We pledge ourselves to meet each coming day
With increased love and faith and hope in God.
We leave this road of yesteryear behind
To go forth with open heart and mind!

MARY COX,
Class Poet.

Class Officers, *Left to right:* Eugene Pope, President; Jones Almond, Treasurer; Sue Rogers, Secretary; and Carson Tate, Vice-President.

At left: Eugene Pope, Class President, presents to Mrs. Ottis Hedrick and Miss Charlotte Matthews, Senior Class advisors, well-deserved gifts in appreciation of their patience and much-needed words of counsel. *At right:* From a host of shiny scrubbed faces and freshly polished shoes, the Senior Class chose Tammy Smith and Frank Turberville as mascots.



PATRICIA CAROLYN ALLEN

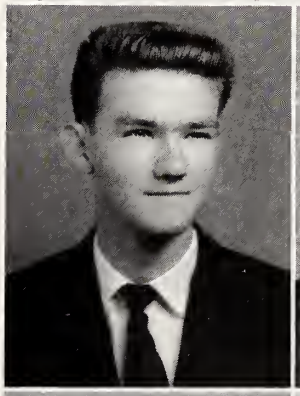
. . . *Pat* . . . *littlest senior* . . . *sweet disposition* . . .

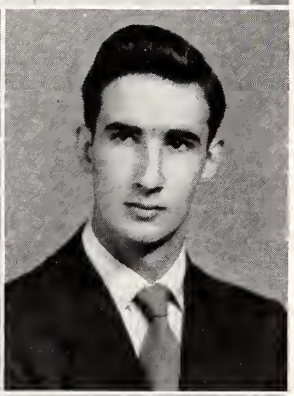
F.H.A. Club 1.

REBECCA SUE ALLEN

. . . *Becky* . . . *good natured* . . . *dry wit* . . .

Glee Club, Secretary 3; F.H.A. Club 1, 2.





JONES EVANS ALMOND, JR.

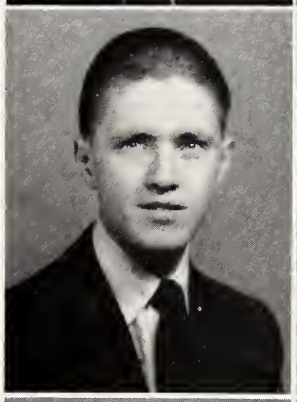
. . . *"Crab"* . . . *always laughing* . . . *"A" Model* . . .

Senior Class Officer, Treasurer 4; Junior Class Officer, President 3; *Lexhi*pep Staff 3, 4; Hi-Y Club 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Team 3; Golf Team 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Vice-President 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Mr. L.H.S. 4; Superlative 4; DeMolay 2; Quill and Scroll 4.

HENRY JAMES ATKINS

. . . *P.A. System* . . . *dependable* . . . *Jimmy* . . .

Student Council 3, 4; Baseball Team 2, 3, 4.



JACOB SOWERS AYERS

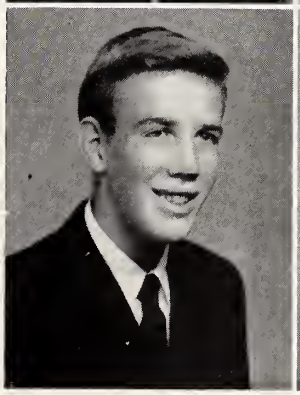
. . . *"Jake"* . . . *crooner* . . . *blushes* . . . *theatre* . . .

Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Student Council 1; Glee Club 3; Latin Club 1; Key Club 4; Beta Club 4; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3; Superlative 4.

PAMELIA FRANCES BATES

. . . *shy smile* . . . *delightful* . . . *neat* . . . *engaged* . . .

Office Assistant 4.



JOSEPH FRANKLIN BECK

. . . *tall* . . . *hard worker* . . . *"Joe Frank"* . . .

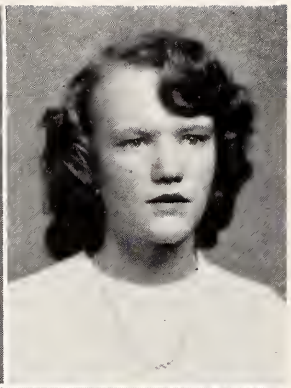
Industrial Arts 1, 2, 3, 4.

MARTHA LOUISE BECK

. . . *merry* . . . *beautiful voice* . . . *attractive* . . .

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Superlative 4.

Seniors



JO ANN BEEKER

. . . nice person . . . carefree . . . talented . . .

Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOYCE LILLIAN BERRIER

. . . sweet . . . North Dakota . . . new, but nice . . .

Alamo, North Dakota, Linwood, Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

BERYL BLOCK

. . . always late . . . "Tiny" . . . personality . . .

LEXICON Staff 4; Quill and Scroll, Secretary-Treasurer 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club, Vice-President 3, President 4; Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1, 2; Beta Club 4; Superlative 4.

PHYLLIS MAE BREEDON

. . . good dancer . . . "Joe" . . . freckles . . . cute . . .

Lexhipep Staff 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 3, Treasurer 4; F.H.A. Club 1, 2; Miss L.H.S. 4; Superlative 4.

EDITH MARIE BROADWAY

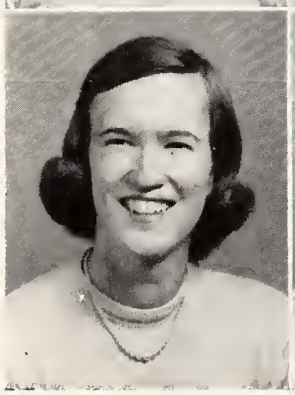
. . . quiet, but nice . . . sweet disposition . . .

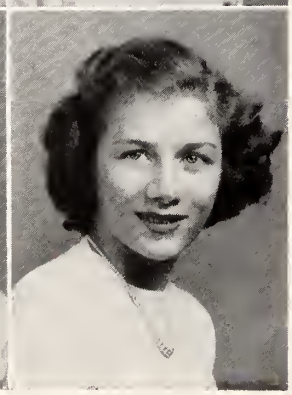
Rockwell High School, Glee Club 2.

GLENDA LORETTA BROWN

. . . smiles . . . energetic . . . little . . .

Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 1.





EMMA EVELYN BRUTON

. . . tops in everything . . . Pope . . . whiz at basketball . . .

Lexhipep Staff 3, Editor 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Student Council, Assistant Storekeeper 2, Storekeeper 3, President 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Cheerleader 3, Chief 4; Majorette 1, 2; Basketball Club 1, 2; Beta Club 3, 4; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3; Junior Marshal 3; Superlative 4.

JUDITH ANNE BYRD

. . . "Judy" . . . tiny and sweet . . . loads of fun . . .

Office Assistant 4.

CARL WAYNE BYRD

. . . great big . . . happy-go-lucky . . . football . . .

Hi-Y Club 4; Student Council 4; Football Team 2, 3, 4, Tri-Captain 4; Basketball Team 1, 2, 3, 4.

JERRY RANDALL CARLTON

. . . "Helen" . . . loves music . . . Mr. Be-Bop . . .

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, Vice-President 4; Latin Club 3, 4.

JOHNSIE REBECCA CARLTON

. . . dresses so neat . . . queenie . . . "Perkins" . . .

Tri-Hi-Y Club 3, Secretary 4; Student Council 3; Cheerleader 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. Club 2; Beta Club 3, Secretary 4; Miss L.H.S. 4; Superlative 4; Coronation Queen 4; Piedmont Bowl Queen 4.

CHARLOTTE REGINA CISSEL

. . . Slaughter on 10th Ave. . . . good-looking . . . "Tango" . . .

Glee Club 3, 4.

SARAH ELLEN CONRAD

. . . "Horsey" . . . bowling . . . eyes . . .

Basketball Team 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer," 3.

GLADYS BARBARA COMER

. . . mouth??? . . . have a good time . . . Welcome . . .

Glee Club 4, Librarian.

NOBE RONDAL COOK

. . . "Shop" . . . National Guard . . . deep voice . . .

Industrial Arts 1, 2, 3, 4.

JACKY WAYNE COOPER

. . . hunts . . . good worker . . . hillbilly music . . .

Football Team 1, 2, 3; Industrial Arts 1, 2, 3, 4.

Seniors

MARY FRANCES COX

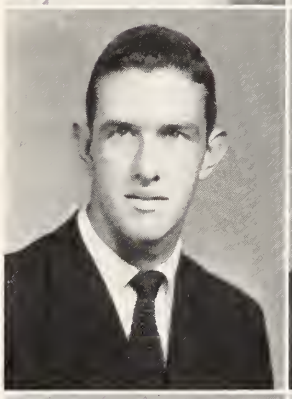
. . . *"poet"* . . . *mighty smart* . . . *everybody's friend* . . .

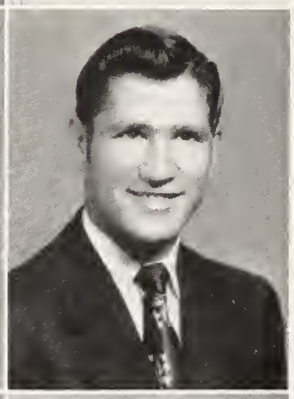
Lexhipep Staff 4; National Honor Society 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Junior Class Marshal, Chief 3; Senior Class Poet 4; Superlative 4; U.D.C. Essay Award 3.

JACQUELINE CROTTS

. . . *sweet natured* . . . *hair!* . . . *neat dresser* . . .

Glee Club 3; Latin Club 1.





RONALD WARREN CROW

. . . *"Ronnie"* . . . *honor roll* . . . *woman hater* . . . *manners* . . .

Junior Class Officer, Vice-President 3; Lexicon Staff 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2; Assistant Storekeeper 1; Basketball Team 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; Baseball Team 2, 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Jr. Varsity Basketball 1.

DON FRANKLIN CURRY

. . . *hillbilly* . . . *dresses nice* . . . *good friend* . . .

Library Assistant 4.

VIRGIE LEE DAWKINS

. . . *"little-bit"* . . . *talk, talk, talk* . . . *Raymond* . . .

F.H.A. Club 1, 2.

JAMES WILLIAMS DINWIDDIE

. . *."Bill"* . . . *Cadillac kid* . . . *Republican???* . . .

Latin Club 1, Secretary 2; Key Club 4.

RENA MAE ELLIS

. . . *loud!* . . . *likes to dance* . . . *short hair* . . . *sweet gal* . . .

Basketball Team 4; Glee Club 4.

BETTY LOU EVERHART

. . . *always happy* . . . *diamond* . . . *one nice gal* . . .

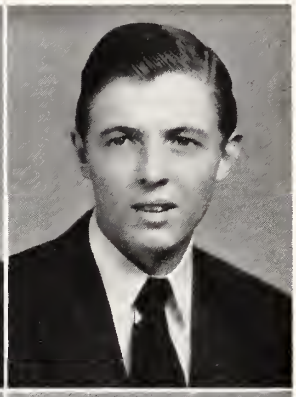
Glee Club 3, 4.

Seniors

JOHN FRANKLIN EVERHART

. . . "Johnny" . . . loves a good time . . . crazy-acting . . .

Industrial Arts 1, 2, 3.



GEORGE WILLIAM FISH

. . . "Harold" . . . Salisbury . . . that slow grin . . .

Salisbury, North Carolina.

KATHRYN RAE FITCH

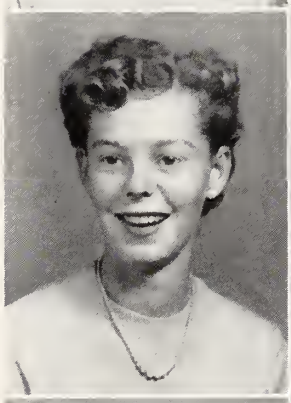
. . . brains . . . looks . . . personality . . . what more can you want? . . .

Lexhipep Staff 3, 4; National Honor Society 4, Secretary; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2, President; Junior Class Marshal 3; Superlative 4.

HANNAH ELIZABETH FLOYD

. . . "Lib" . . . acrobatics . . . full of fun . . .

Tri-Hi-Y 4; Basketball Team, Jr. Home 1; Cheerleader, Jr. Home 1, 2; Orphanage Conference 3, 4.



NANCY JEAN FOARD

. . . wit . . . carrot-top . . . scatter brains . . .

Glee Club, Treasurer 3, 4; Latin Club 2; Superlative 4.

SHIRLEY CHRISTINE FRANK

. . . watch her smile . . . wedding bells . . . conscientious . . .

Student Council 2; Glee Club 2; Library Staff 4.

SARAH JOSEPHINE GARGIS

. . . "Jo" . . . kinda tall . . . hard worker . . .

Sophomore Class Officer, Jr. Home, President; Freshman Class Officer, Jr. Home, President; *Lexhipep* Staff 4; National Honor Society 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Basketball Team, Jr. Home 1, 2, 3, 4, Co-Captain 3, 4; Beta Club 4; Orphanage Conference 2.

BARBARA JEAN GOING

. . . pug-nose . . . cute . . . short hair . .

Latin Club 1, 2; Office Assistant 4

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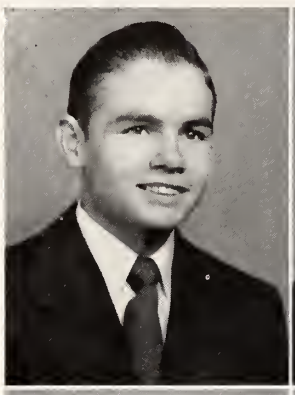
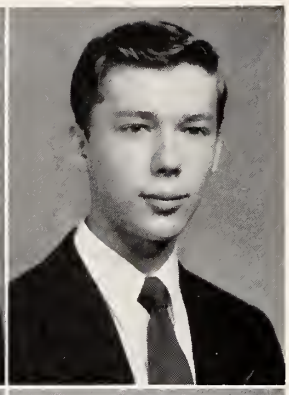
Seniors





DONALD FRANKLIN GREGG

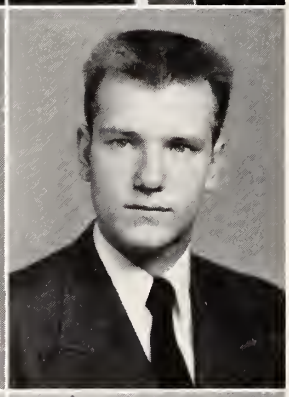
. . . friendly . . .good natured . . . walk? . . .

Football Team 1, 2; Junior Class Play "Seventeenth Summer" 3.

JAMES FLETCHER HARRIS

. . . "Jimmy" . . . more brains . . . fine dancer . . .

National Honor Society 4; Latin Club 1, 2; DeMolay 4.



ELIZABETH ANN HARVEY

. . . "Lib" . . . petite . . . that devilish smile . . .

Latin Club 1.

DONALD CARL HAYNES

. . . "Catfish" . . . oh, so tall . . . prankster . . . Mary Lou . . .

Lexhipep Staff 3, 4 ;Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Student Council, Storekeeper 3; Football Team 2, 3, Tri-Captain 4; Basketball Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Key Club 3, 4; Beta Club, Vice-President 3, President 4; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer," 3; Mr. L.H.S. 4; Superlative 4; Quill and Scroll 4.

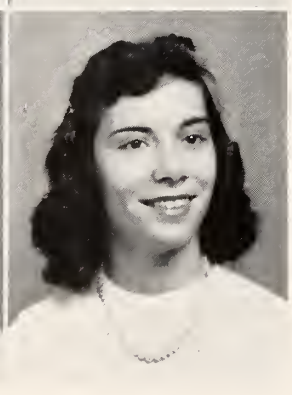
ROBBIE HEDRICK

. . . "Jimmie" . . . sunny disposition . . . calm . . .

Glee Club 1, 3, 4; F.H.A. Club 2; Office Assistant 4.

TERRI DAYNESE HEWITT

. . . too short for words . . . quick . . . independent . . .



MARTHA FRANCES HUNT

. . . "Grunt" . . . bull-shooter . . . have a ball!!! . . .

Lexhipep Staff 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Wadesboro High, Annual Staff 1, 2; Band 2.

BETTY ALLENE JONES

. . . very attractive . . . dependable . . . pretty hair . . .

Basketball Team, Jr. Home 2, 4; Glee Club, Jr. Home 1, 2.

DELLA BETTY KILLIAN

. . . real quiet . . . baby-face . . . nice . . .

NANCY ELIZABETH KOONTZ

. . . neat . . . sweet . . . clothes . . .

Office Assistant 4.

JO ANN LEE

. . . George . . . sexy eyes . . . baggy socks . . . kind . . .

Student Council 1; Glee Club 3, 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Library 3, 4, Secretary-Treasurer.

ANN CAROLYN LEONARD

. . . age of innocence . . . sweeter than honey . . . poise . . .

CHARLES BASCOM LEONARD

. . . "Sonny" . . . "old car" . . . little boy . . .

Key Club 4.

PEGGY JOANN LEONARD

. . . real nice gal . . . movie stars . . . theatre . . .

Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Vice-President 2, Treasurer 3; F.H.A. Club 4.

SARAH JEANETTE LEONARD

. .. meek voice . . . pretty hair . . . short 'n cute . . .

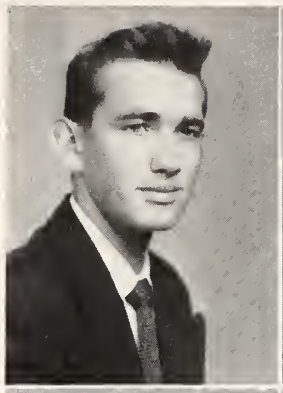
Lexhipep Staff 4; National Honor Society 3, Secretary 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Latin Club 1; F.H.A. Club 1, President 2; Junior Class Play "Seventeenth Summer" 3.

SHIRLEY BROWER LEONARD

. . . good-looking clothes . . . "Sherman" . . . giggles . . .

Tri-Hi-Y 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Secretary 2; Secretary-Treasurer 4; Miss L.H.S. 4; Student Council 3; Office Assistant 4.

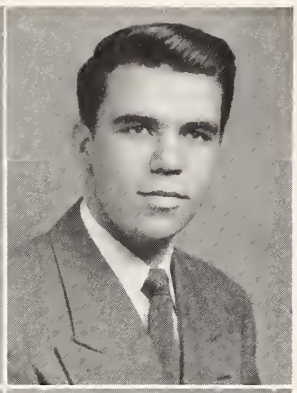
Seniors



NORMAN EDWARD LINK

. . . "Buddy" . . . always picking . . . Ann Carolyn . . .

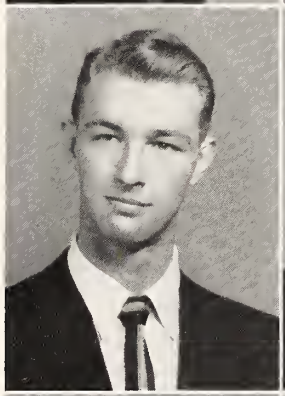
Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Football Team, Manager 2, 3, 4; Basketball Team 4, Manager 3; Key Club 3, 4.



JOHN BYRON LOPP, JR.

. . . black hair . . . marvelous dancer . . . "Betty" . . . lake . . .

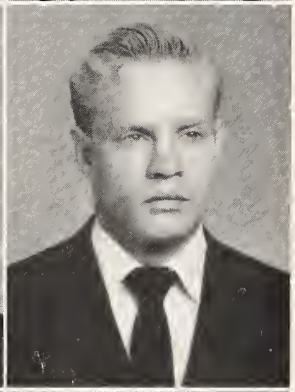
LEXICON Staff 3, 4; National Honor Society 4, Vice-President 4; Student Council 1, 2, Vice-President 3; Hi-Y Club 3, President 4; Football Team 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 1, 2; Key Club 2, 3, Secretary 4; Beta Club 4; Mr. L.H.S. 4; Superlative 4; DeMolay 2, 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 4.



JOSEPH DUANE LYTLE

. . . "Joe" . . . always driving . . . "Marion" . . .

Marion High, Football Team 3; Baseball Team 2.



SAMMY McBRIDE

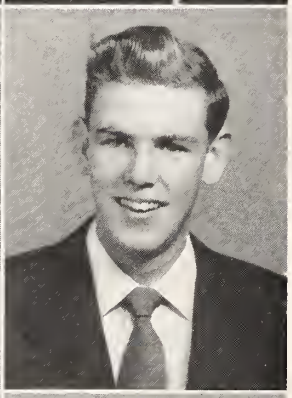
. . . "Mac" . . . football . . . pretty smile . . . "Laine" . . .

Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Student Council 2; Football Team 1, 2; Baseball Team 1, 2, 3; Key Club 2.

BETTY LOU McGEE

. . . "Mac" . . . big eyes . . . Diana Shop . . . helpful . . .

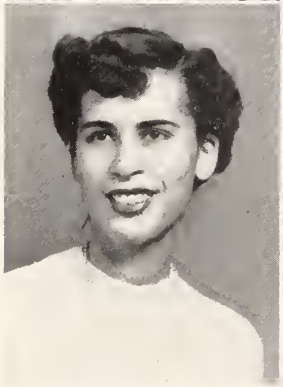
LEXICON Staff 4; Glee Club; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3; Debate Club 3; Quill and Scroll 4.



JAMES CLEVELAND McINTYRE

. . . "J. C." . . . darn good worker . . . considerate . . .

Industrial Arts 1, 2, 3, 4.



WILHELMINA WAY MARSH

. . . "Mena Way" . . . well-poised . . . fascinating . . .

Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1; Beta Club 3, Treasurer 4; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3.

CLARA MAE MARTIN

. . . fireball of energy . . . dumbfounded . . . "Tony" . . . figure . . .

Glee Club 3, 4; F.H.A. Club 1.

Seniors

THOMAS PETE MAUNEY

. . . *"Tom"* . . . *everybody's friend* . . . *frank* . . .

Hi-Y Club 4; Football Team 4; Basketball Team 2, 3, 4; Baseball Team 4; Monogram Club 2, 3, 4; Jr. Basketball Team 1.

MARIETTA MILLER

. . . *calm* . . . *graceful* . . . *quiet* . . .

Latin Club 1.

ROBERT EDWARD MILLER

. . . *shop!!!* . . . *conscientious* . . . *good natured* . . .

Industrial Arts 1, 2, 3, 4.

FREDIA JANETT MILLS

. . . *beautiful hair* . . . *Joe* . . . *"Ditty"* . . . *fun* . . .

Glee Club 3, 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Library, President 3.

CAROLYN WESLEY MOORE

. . . *"Eeka"* . . . *energetic* . . . *mouth that never stops* . . .

Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1.

DAVID L. MORGAN

. . . *talker* . . . *happy* . . . *sweet* . . .

DeMolay 4.

EDMOND MORRIS

. . . *new* . . . *Marines* . . . *admirable* . . .

Football Team '47, '48; Basketball Team '47; Baseball Team '47.

MARY LOU NANCE

. . . *initiative* . . . *"Catfish"* . . . *good natured* . . . *red hair* . . .

Lexicon Staff 3, Editor 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Student Council, Secretary 2; Basketball Team 3, Manager 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1, 2; Beta Club 4.

Seniors

CHARLES GURNEY OVERCASH, JR.

. . . deep voice . . . small . . . cute . . .

Junior Class Officer, Treasurer 3; LEXICON Staff 4; National Honor Society 3, President 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Hi-Y Club, Vice-President 4; Basketball Team 3, 4; Latin Club 1, Treasurer 2; Key Club 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3; Superlative 4; Class Prophet 4.

TOMMY CLAUDE OWEN

. . . handsome . . . freckles . . . contented . . .

Baseball Team 1, 2, 3, 4.

FRED HARRIS PARKS

. . . smiles . . . silent type . . . walk? . . .

RAYMOND DEAN PARKS

. . . big talker . . . theatre . . . good friend . . .

Student Council 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1.

MABLE BEATRICE PERRELL

. . . good friend . . . easy going . . . very nice . . .

Library Club 4.

RICHARD GREY PERRYMAN

. . . Richard . . . the talkative kind . . . Jeanette . . .

Glee Club 4.

BONNIE JO PITTMAN

. . . long fingernails . . . dimples . . . jolly . . .

Glee Club 3.

NORMA JEAN PLUMMER

. . . loud talker . . . generous . . . willing to help . . . sweet . . .

Glee Club 3, 4.

FRED EUGENE POPE

. . . tall, "dark," handsome . . . Emma . . . Senior Prexy . . .

Senior Class Officer, President 4; Student Council 4; Football Team 3, 4; Basketball Team 2, 3, 4; Key Club 4; Beta Club 4; Mr. L.H.S. 4; Superlative 4.

NANCY CAROLYN POTTS

. . . pretty hands . . . bashful . . . brilliant . . .

National Honor Society 4.

JOHNNY SANFORD POTTS

. . . mumbles . . . "Pat" . . . Manns . . . works hard . . .

LEXICON Staff 3; Football Team 1; Basketball Team 1; Glee Club 3.

MARGARET ANN POWELL

. . . white hair . . . Don . . . more fun . . . Maggie . . .

Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Latin Club 1, 2.

CARL THOMAS PURDEE

. . . Carl . . . loud . . . dry wit . . .

Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

HAL McLEAN REDWINE

. . . never quiet . . . Macky . . . "Duke" . . . fun lover . . .

Lexhipep Staff 3, 4; Hi-Y Club 4; Football Team 3, 4; Jr. Varsity Basketball 1; Golf Team 3, 4; Page in Congress of U. S. 3; Latin Club 1, 2; Key Club 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Superlative 4.

BERTHA DIZA ROGERS

. . . natural beauty . . . talented . . . versatile . . .

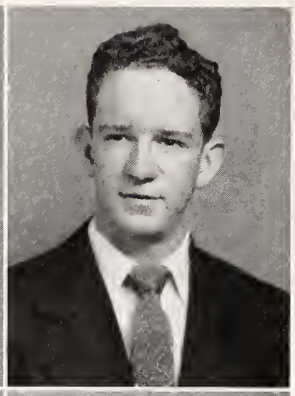
Jr. Home Sophomore Class Officer, Vice-President; Freshman Class Officer, Vice-President; Junior Class Officer, Secretary; Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Student Council 4; Jr. Home Basketball Team 1, 2, 3, Co-Captain 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Miss L.H.S. 4; 4-H 1, 2.

ELYSABETH SUE ROGERS

. . . "Sue" . . . 88 keys . . . willin' worker . . . trimness . . .

Senior Class Officer, Secretary 4; LEXICON Staff 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Latin Club 1, 2.

Seniors



JOYCE ELAINE ROLLINS

. . . soft voice . . . nice . . . shy . . .

Latin Club 1, 2.

JAMES ROBERT SHOAF

. . . shop . . . Jimmy . . . curly hair . . . a fine friend . . .

Student Council 2; Bus Driver 2, 3; Industrial Arts 1, 2, 3, 4.

ROBERTA GAYLE SINK

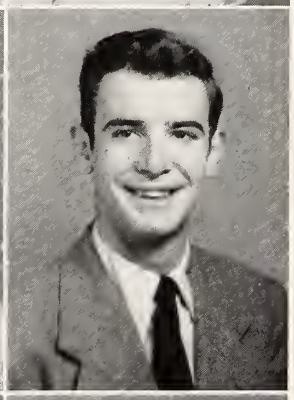
. . . watch her smile . . . Gayle . . . agreeable . . .

Latin Club 1, 2.

CAROL ROASLIND SMITH

. . . peaches and cream complexion . . . engaged . . . drawl . . .

Student Council 1; Latin Club 2.



MARY REID SNYDER

. . . most dependable . . . sunny disposition . . . considerate . . .

Library 3, 4; Office Assistant 4.

THOMAS MILLER SNYDER, JR.

. . . "ole Tom" . . . bull-shooter . . . Statesville . . . good friend . . .

LEXICON Staff 2, 3, Business Manager 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Student Council 1; Football Team, Manager 2, 4; Basketball Manager 2; World Peace Contest 3; Latin Club 1; Key Club 4; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3.

THOMAS DARRELL SPENCER

. . . Darrell . . . two-wheeler . . . slow grin . . . extra nice . . .

Industrial Arts 4.

BILLIE DEAN SPRY

. . . Christmas ring . . . tall . . . attractive . . .

Basketball Team 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Latin Club 1.

Seniors

REBECCA JANE STRANGE

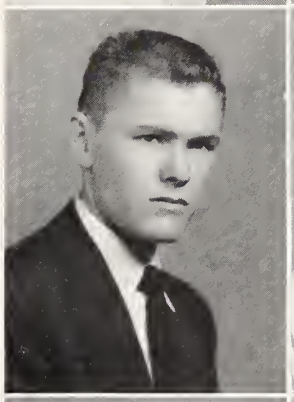
. . . Becky . . . beautiful teeth . . . that laugh . . . dry wit . . .

Student Council 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Testator.

JERRELL ANN SUTTON

. . . car . . . Linwood . . . friendly . . . busy . . .

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A Club 1, 2.



CAREY GORDON SWAIM, JR.

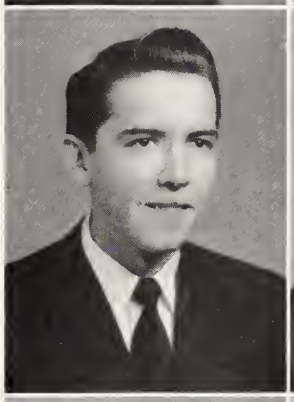
. . . personality plus . . . lover? . . . real cute . . .

LEXICON Staff 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, President 4; Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Student Council 3; Football Team 2; Basketball Team 4, Jr. Varsity 2; Baseball Team 2, 3, 4; Master Councilor DeMolay 4, Member 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1; Key Club 2, 3, Treasurer 4; Superlative 4; Public Speaking Club 4.

ALICE MAE SWING

. . . pretty hair . . . freckles . . . dimples . . .

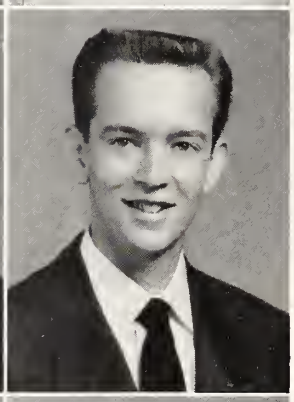
Glee Club 3, 4; Office Assistant 4.



LARRY GENE SWING

. . . deep laugh . . . sensible . . . good-looking clothes . . .

Lexhipep Staff 4; Baseball Team 4.



JAMES CARSON TATE

. . . so neat . . . cuttin' up . . . "the cat" . . .

Senior Class Officer, Vice-President 4; *Lexhipep* Staff 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Basketball Team 4; Band 1, Drum Major 4, President 3, Vice-President 2, Treasurer 4; Latin Club 1, 3; Beta Club 4; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3; Marshal 3.

MARGARET SYLVIA TAYLOR

. . . talk, talk, talk . . . real smart . . . Linwood . . . cute . . .

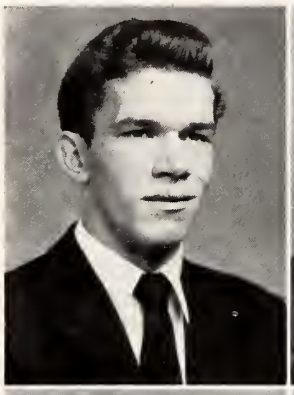
Linwood Basketball Team 2; Linwood Beta Club 2; Linwood Junior Class Play.

LILA JEAN THOMPSON

. . . carrot-top . . . tall . . . dependable . . .

National Honor Society 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Latin Club 1, 2.

Seniors



GEORGE DEWARD TROGDON

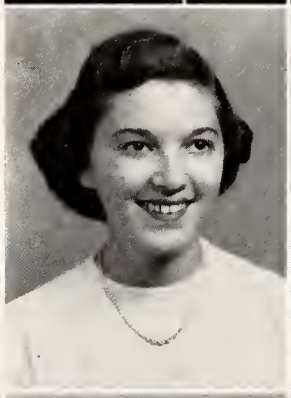
. . . Peggy Jim . . . good manners . . . neat . . .

Glee Club 3, 4; Bible Club 4, Treasurer.

RONNIE FRANKLIN WEAVER

. . . helpful . . . always got a grin . . . slap-happy . . .

Industrial Arts 1, 2, 3, 4.



MARGARET SUSAN WESTMORELAND

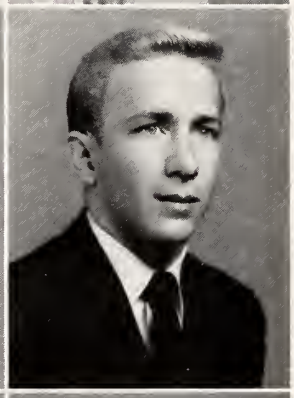
. . . Jimmy . . . big brown eyes . . . dark complexion . . . fun . . .

Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Cheerleader 4; Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1.

BETTY JEAN WILKINSON

. . . J. B. . . . snappy dresser . . . gift of gab . . . mighty cute . . .

Lexhipep Staff 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1; Junior Class Play 3; Marshal 3.



SARAH LEE WILLIAMSON

. . . beautiful hair, beautiful eyes, (beautiful period) . . . poise . . .

Tri-Hi-Y Club 4; Student Council 2; Library Club 4; F.H.A. Club 1; Miss L.H.S. 4; Superlative 4.

JOHNNIE LEE WILSON, JR.

. . . "Jose" . . . white hair . . . flirts . . .

LEXICON Staff 2, 4; Student Council 1; Football Team 3; Golf Team 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Page in United States Congress 2; Latin Club 1, 2; Key Club 3, President 4; Senior Councilor DeMolay 3, Member 1, 2, 3, 4.

ALBERTA JEAN YARBROUGH

. . . wavy hair . . . Charlie . . . pretty clothes . . .

Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1.

MARY REBECCA YARBROUGH

. . . pretty black hair . . . dependable . . . sweet girl . . .

LEXICON Staff 4; Quill and Scroll 4.

JANE KEITH YOUNG

. . . boyish walk . . . willin' worker . . . disposition . . . short hair . . . cute . . .

Lexhipep Staff 3, 4; Quill and Scroll 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Club 3, 4; Student Council 1; Latin Club 1, 2; F.H.A. Club 1; Junior Class Play, "Seventeenth Summer" 3; Junior Marshal 3; Girls' State 3.

Snaps

Cream of the Crop

Top left: From all indications, it's quite evident that Phyllis Breedon and Jones Almond are the "Cutest" Seniors. Phyllis is also proving her title of the "Friendliest." *Top right:* Judging by the fan mail they receive, Rebecca Carlton and John Bryon Lopp well deserved to be elected "Most Popular." John Bryon also captured the titles of "Most Outstanding," and "Best-All-Around." *Bottom left:* "Bubbling" over with fun and good humor are our "Wittiest" Seniors, Nancy Foard and Macky Redwine. *Bottom right:* Looking over and reviewing one of their often sung duets, are Jake Ayers and Louise Beck, voted "Most Talented."

Cream of the Crop

Top left: "Anything for a joke," say Gordon Swaim and Beryl Block. Their pleasant outlook accounts for their election to "Best Personality." *Top right:* Charles—"Friendliest," "Most Dependable," and "Most Intellectual"—Overcash is found studying with Kathryn—"Most Intellectual"—Fitch and Mary—"Most Dependable"—Cox as they cram for those final exams. *Bottom left:* Eugene Pope, "Best Looking," and Sarah Williamson, "Most Attractive," are rarely seen in front of a mirror or vainly primping, but we wanted to give our readers a two-way view of these title-holders. *Bottom right:* Emma Bruton, "Most Outstanding," "Best-All-Around," "Best Athlete," and "Best Sport," and Don "Catfish" Haynes, "Best Athlete," and "Best Sport," should feel very much at home as they admire the many trophies which they helped to put in the case.

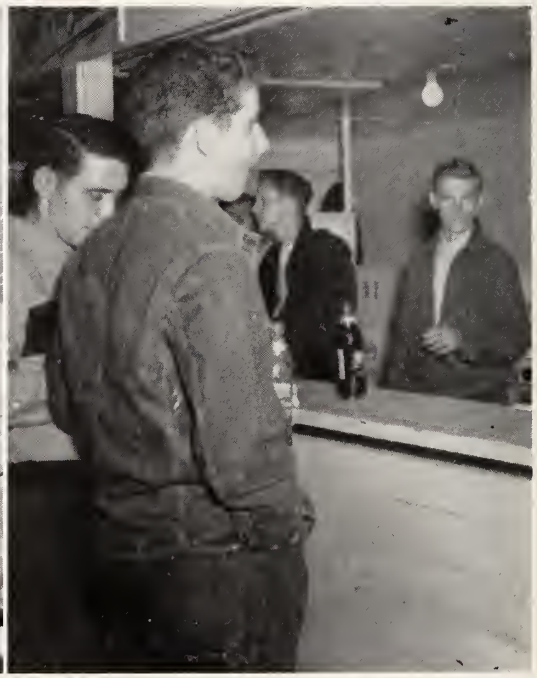
The Junior Class officers are really enthusiastic about giving the seniors the best Junior-Senior yet. Here we find the hard-working officers trying to sell magazines as one of their big projects. They are: Carlyle Craven, Treasurer; Nancy Alley, Secretary; Helen Thomason, President; and J. R. Fowler, Vice-President.

3 Down, 1 to Go!

The air was tense with the spine-tingling excitement of the event of the year —the unforgettable Junior-Senior Banquet. The Juniors surveyed the fairyland of their own creation with the air of an artist inspecting his newly-created masterpiece. Small huddles of elated classmates were seen drinking in the wonders of their year of hard work. The hoarseness of screaming "Peanuts," over the din of maniacal football fans was practically forgotten. The once-blue knuckles that had survived the hectic magazine subscription campaign and Christmas card sales had helped to pay for the exotic flowers and shimmering stars.

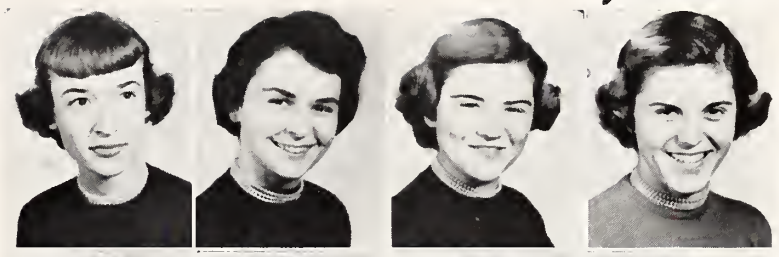
Toastmasters coughed importantly. President Helen Thomason was earnestly discussing last-minute instructions with fellow officers—J. R. Fowler, Vice-President; Nancy Alley, Secretary; and Carlyle Craven, Treasurer. Class sponsors, Miss Marie Gilliam, Mr. Luther Taylor, Miss Jean Brooks, and Mrs. Fred B. Lewis, silently mull over a minute detail that didn't turn out right at the last minute. (No one will ever know the difference.)

The president rapped for attention, and the banquet was begun. The perfect climax to a perfect year.



Left: What would we do without these four sponsors to guide the Junior Class? They are: Mr. Leonard, Mrs. Lewis, Miss Gilliam, and Mr. Taylor. *Right:* Tommy Walker eagerly waits on the hungry football fans as they want hot dogs during the half time. This is a job that every Junior has.

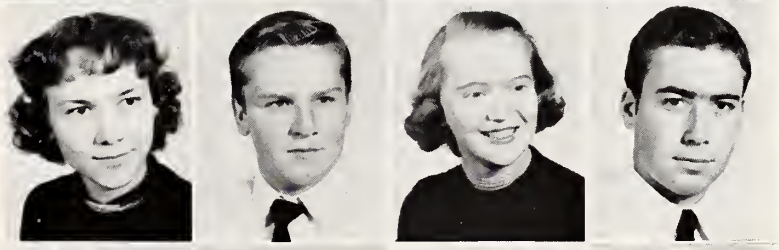
Nora Albright
Frances Alley
Nancy Alley
Winnifred Andrew



Bruce Bates
J. W. Bates
Harold Beck
Alzury Bivens

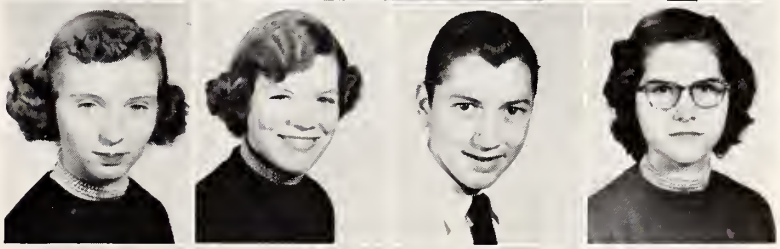
Betty Block
Phyllis Bost
Betty Briggs
Janice Briggs

Peggy Broadway
John Brown
Alice Bruton
Harold Burkhart

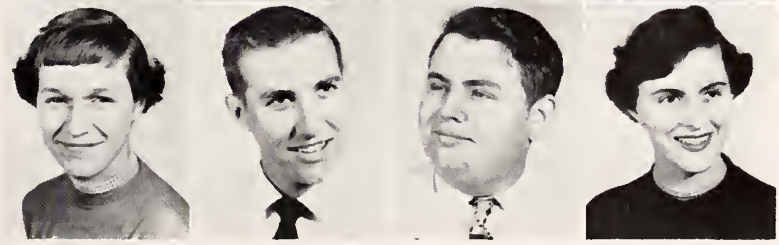


Joel Byrd
Doris Carpenter
Margie Cauley
Bobby Cecil

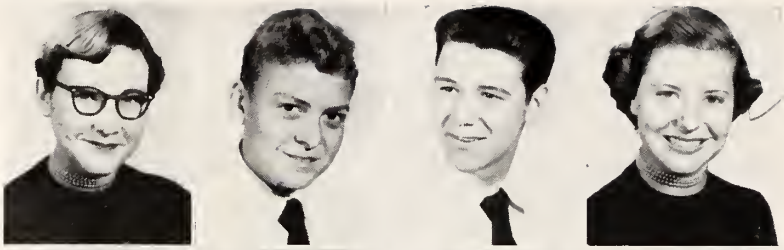
Katheryne Clark
Rebecca Clark
Jack Clemmer
Joan Comer



Barbara Conrad
Hulin Cooper
Carlyle Craven
Barbara Craver



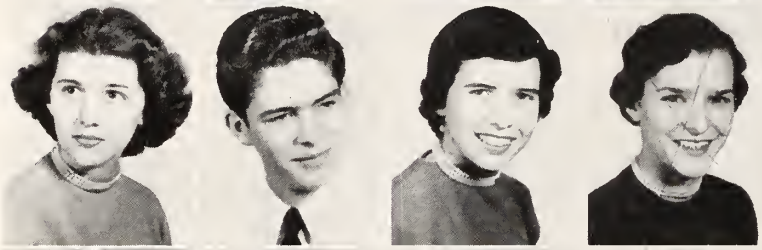
Juniors



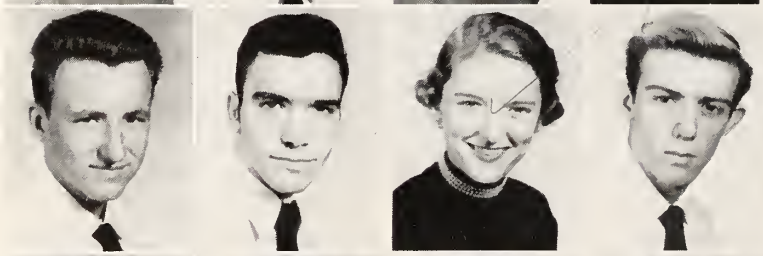
Betty Jean Cross
John Darr
Ray Davis
Virginia Ann Davis

Ann Dickens
Harry Dillehay
Dena Eastep
Dan Everhart

John Everhart
Lacy Everhart
Mary Everhart
Jo Ann Foster

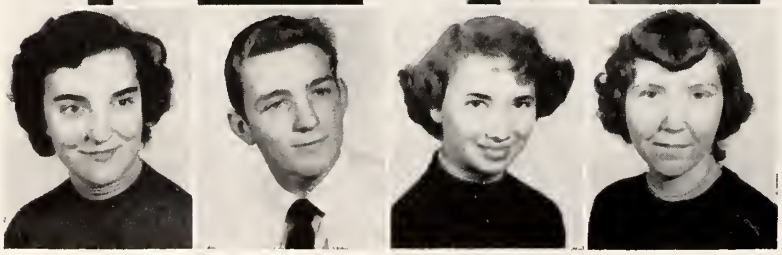


Patsy Foust
J. R. Fowler
Evelyn Fritts
Patricia Fry



Tommy Giass
J. D. Goins
Ann Goodrum
Tony Goss

Jack Greer
Gloria Griffith
Billy Joe Hamm
Carol Harvey



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Juniors

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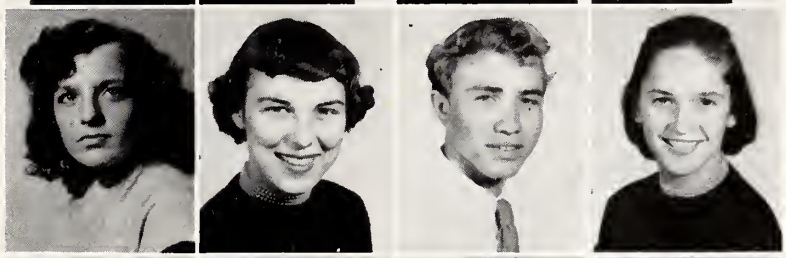

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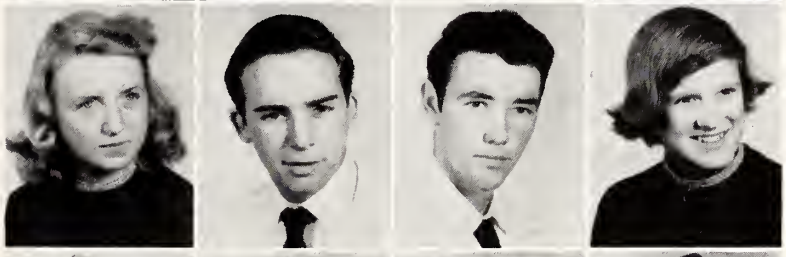

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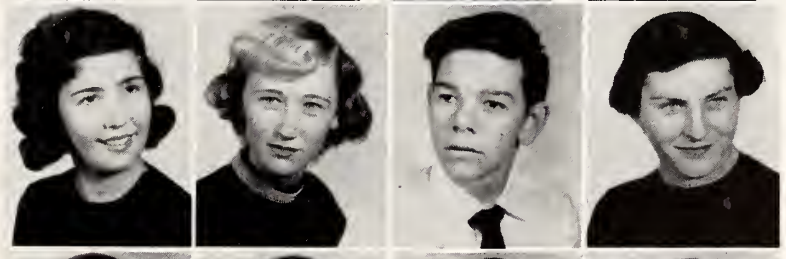

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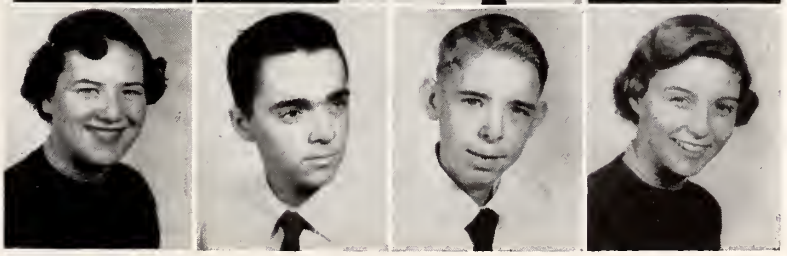

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Frank Mock
Wayne Monk
Gale Musgrave

Juniors

Gary Myers
Hazel Owens
Betsy Palmer
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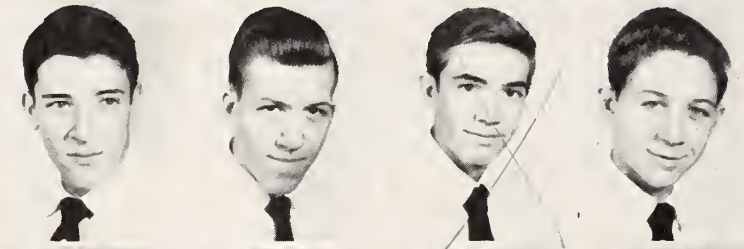
Dan Phillips
Mary Ruth Pless
Sue Potts
Gwendolyn Pullen

Pat Raker
Barbara Riggins
Nancy Rimer
David Rivenbark



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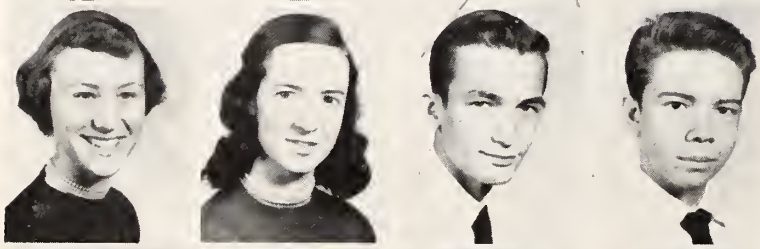
Homer Shipwash
Bub Shirley



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Douglas Sink
Frazier Smith

Nancy Snyder
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Juniors

Roy Varner
Jimmy Waitman
Tommy Walker
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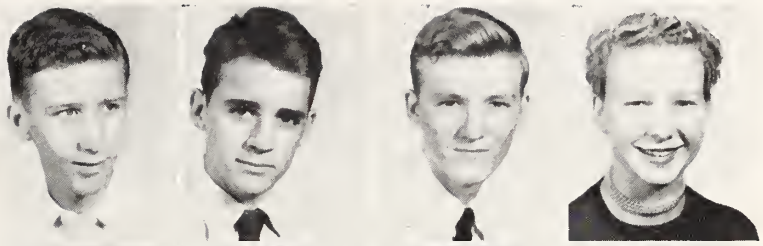

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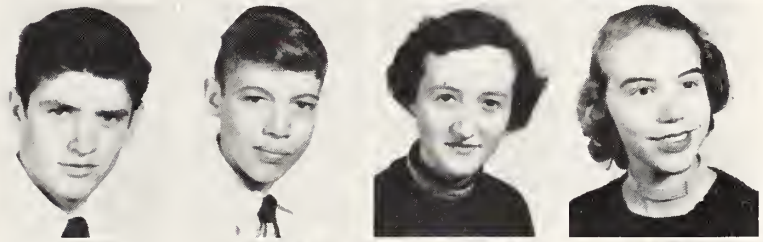
Sandra Wilkerson
Jeanette Williams



Tommy Willis
Jimmy Wilson
Ruth Wilson
Janice Wood

Bill Yarborough
Macle Yarborough
Nancy York
Linden Young

Bottom left: Gloria Griffith can smile now that she has finally got to the water fountain. Harry Dillehay and Robert Hedrick wait patiently. . . . *Bottom right:* Since Bub Shirley, Mary Ruth Pless, and Nancy Alley have only one more year of "books," they can really laugh!

CLASS OFFICERS: Edgar Mull, Secretary; Phyllis Weaver, President; Bobby Pope, Treasurer; and Nancy Covington, Vice-President.

Shining Sophs

Last year these energetic sophomores entered Lexington Hi as freshmen, determined to become an important part of life in our school. They proved themselves full-fledged members and this past year they were really on their toes, just "itching to go places." Consisting of over 150 students, this class began scoring soon after school began by electing dependable class officers. Phyllis Weaver, President; Nancy Covington, Vice-President; Edgar Mull, Secretary; Bobby Pope, Treasurer, were chosen to be the "steering wheels" of this ambitious class.

Even "Julius Caesar," participles, and gerunds, algebra, and Latin didn't get these "up and coming" sophs down. Many of them became members of clubs and several had the honor of being elected to the LEXICON or *Lexhipep* staffs for the next year.

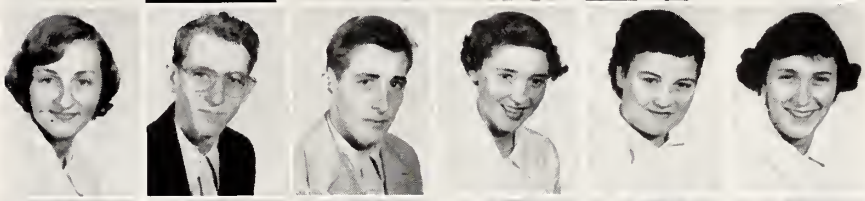
As the year ended and the score was totaled, the result was that the sophomores were out in front with victory, success, and outstanding ideas for the class next year. Bouquets of orchids to shining Sophs.

Left: The "brains" behind the Sophomore Class are Miss Jean Brooks and Coach Price. These two capable advisors are considered "tops" in the eyes of every tenth-grader. *Right:* Bob Stafford, "showing off" his musical ability, gives an informal piano concert for his friends.

Sophomores

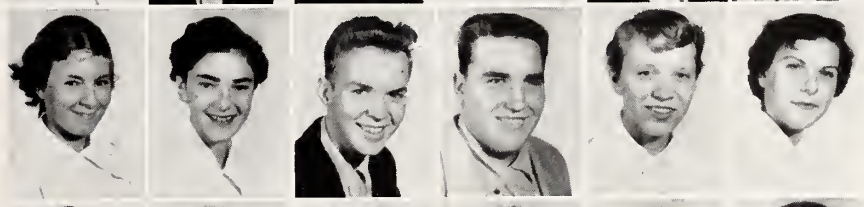
Martha Abernathy
Francis Avery
Mary Bailey
Reba Bates
Leonard Beck
Tillie Beck

Marcia Bell
Wardlaw Berry
Bobby Biesecker
Betty Billings
Ethel Broadway
Betty Brown



Betty Sue Burkhart
Don Burleson
Jerry Byers
Jeanette Carlton
Eddie Cathell
Ranny Cheatham

Phyllis Clifford
Barbara Clodfelter
Eddie Coble
Jack Coppley
Jane Cook
Nancy Covington



Tommy Cox
Scott Craven
Steve Craver
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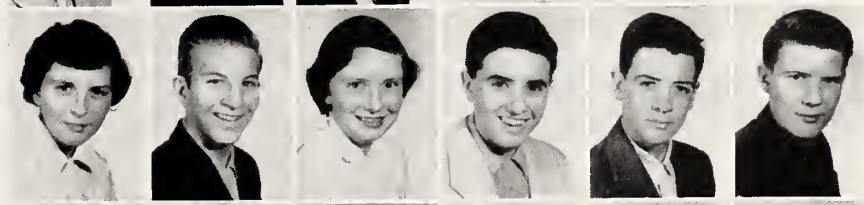
Barbara Crotts
Betty Curry

Frankie Darnell
Robert Darr
Judy Drumheller
Martin Erwin
Hoyle Everhart
Joel Everhart



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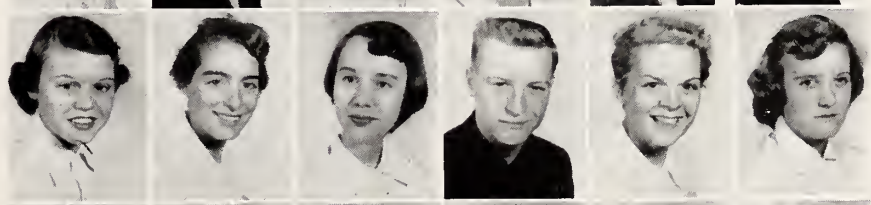
Mary Mel Ferris
Robert Fitzgerald
Margaret Ford
Angella Foster



Jody Foster
Meade Freeman
Shirley Gallimore
Sylvia Gallimore
Joann Grubbs
Suzanne Guest

Jean Hamilton
Johnny Hathcock
Edna Haynes
Joe Hearne
Bobby Hedrick
Bobby L. Hedrick

Sophomores

Marilyn Hedrick
Earl Holleman
Becky Johnson
Jean Jones
Alice Kinney
Dorcus Koonts

Kearney Koonts
Joe Langley
Barbara Lanier
Charles Lanier
Jainell Lanning
June Leonard

Ramona Leonard
Richard Link
Pat Little
Barbara Lohr
Bill Lookabill
Sonny Louis

Joyce Lytle
Harry Matthews
Winfred McBride
Max McBride
Carmelita McCarn
Thelma McIntyre

Dale Michael
Lovenia Mills
Doris Mobley
Carolyn Mock
Barbara Money
Snooky Money

Carolyn Moorefield
Richard Morgan
Jane Nave
Ann Oldham
Larry Oldham
Jimmy Osborn

Jane Parker
Don Parsons
Maxine Payne
Bobby Pope
Fred Pope
Jimmietta Redwine

Rhonda Robbins
Tommy Rogers
Raye Sechrest
Janet Shoaf
Joe Sink
Paige Sink

Tommy Sink
Frank Smith
Nonie Smith
Janet Smith
Bob Stafford
Keith Stamey

Sophomores

Don Stokes
Tanger Story
Susan Stuart
Joann Sweatt
Jane Swicegood
Sarah Swicegood

Don Swing
Tina Jo Teague
Bob Timberlake
Jack Toney
Don Truell
Mary Alice Tussey

Tommy Joe Tussey
Fred Walker
Marie Walker
Baxter Wallace
Peggy Washburn
Joann Weaver

Levon Weaver
Phyllis Weaver
Frances Whiteside
David Wendler
Maywood Wilkerson
Curtis Williams

Jo Ann Wilson
Nelda Wood
Nancy Yarbrough
Clegg Yarbrough
Loretta Young
Freddy Yount

Bottom left: Freddy Peacock and Shirley Beck—that's just like saying bread and butter. *Bottom right:* Lonnie Davis, thinking about his latest heart-throb, doesn't even know that Barbara Hull is sitting in the seat beside him.

CLASS OFFICERS. Jimmy Buchanan, President; Kay Musgrave, Vice-President; Patty Sue Taylor, Secretary, and Shirley Beck, Treasurer.

. . . On the First Rung

To become a real part of high school life was the goal of the 207 Freshmen. Their first step in this direction was the election of officers—Jimmy Buchanan, President; Kay Musgrave, Vice-President; Patty Sue Taylor, Secretary; and Shirley Beck, Treasurer. With these four fine people leading them, how could they be anything but the best!

These students soon established themselves in the routine of high school life. The joy of going to pep meetings and football games, participating in homeroom basketball tournaments, gave the freshmen the feeling of "belonging."

After being at L.H.S. for nine months, the freshmen class may well be proud of itself, for it has achieved its ambition . . . it has become a full-fledged member of Lexington High School. With such a successful start, they look to the coming years with anticipation.

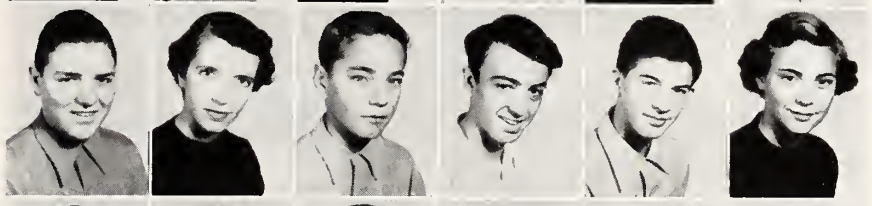
Left: During the chaos of the five minute break Miss Jones and Mrs. Berry, the capable sponsors of the Freshman Class, are earnestly discussing plans for some worthwhile projects for the freshmen to participate in. *Right*: It looks as if these Latin students are actually living the part of Caesar as Miss Jones is vividly reading of the betrayal of Caesar.

Freshmen

Betty Jo Amos
Patsy Allen
Doris Abernathy
Mary Catherine Bailey
Shirley Baker
Ann Beck

Nancy Beck
Alfred Berrier
Deanna Berrier
Joe Biesecker
Jean Billings
Charles Bost

Bobby Briggs
Bettie Brinkley
Harry Broome
Hulin Brown
Jimmy Buchanan
Jane Burkhart



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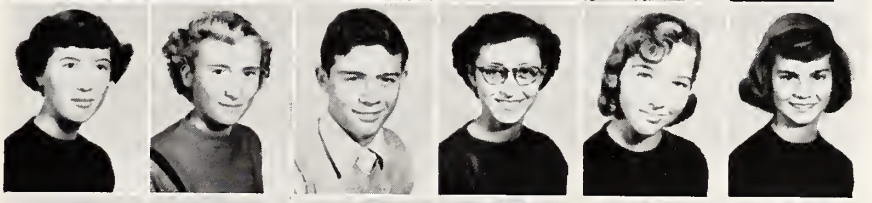
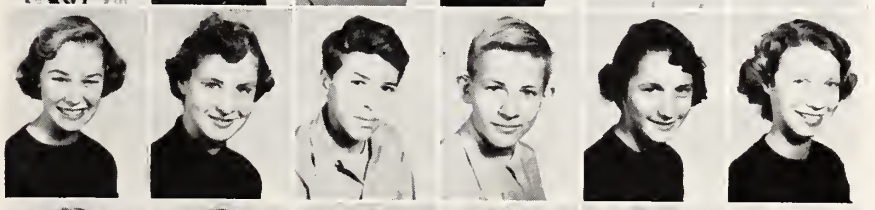
Margaret Byrd
Raymond Byrd
Nancy Campbell
Peggy Cathell
Peggy Caudle



Jack Childers
Nancy Clemmer
Martha Clifford
Libby Coltrane
Ralph Conrad
Gene Cowan

Janet Crotts
Frances Crowell
Ricky Daughtry
Lonnie Davis
Gail Dawkins
Prissy Druary



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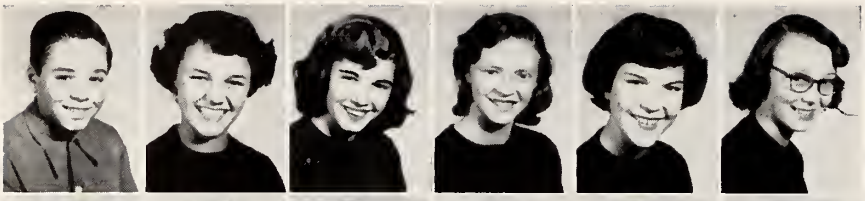
Winfred Everhart
Janice East
Beth Everhart
Lois Ann Everhart
Shirley Everhart

Jeannie Gosnell
Gratton Graham
Tommy Green
Jimmy Greer
James Gregg
Gene Hall

Ann Hartley
Alice Harvey
Shirley Hayes
Joe Hedrick
Betty Sue Hege
Nancy Hegler

Freshmen



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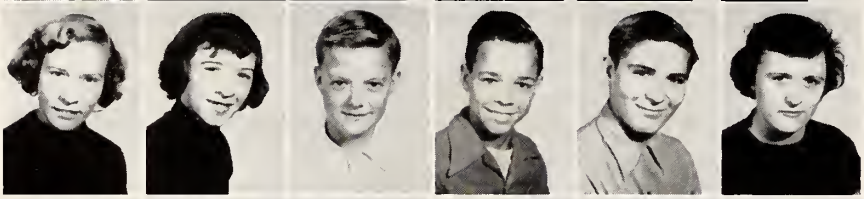
Becky Hill
Ruby Hill
Gayle Hopkins
Barbara Hull
Jean Ingle



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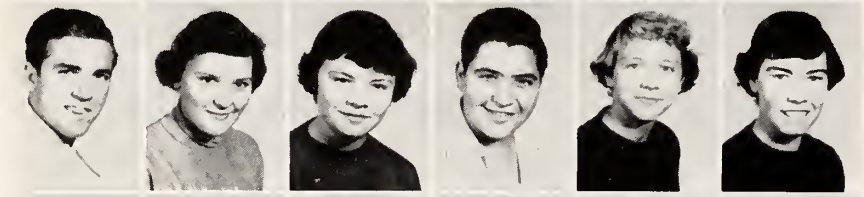
Darrell Kimbal
Ronald Kinney
Iretta Koonts



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Darlene Leonard
Dolores Leonard
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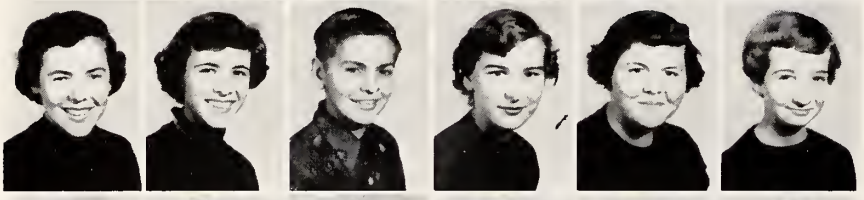
Opal Lineberry
Carolyn Littleton



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Jimmy McCarn
Alice McCrary
Betty McDowell
Ann McGee

John McLeod
Carl Martin
Janice Martin
Kent Meadows
Rayvon Medlin
Martha Mills

Jo Ann Morris
Sue Mull
Donnese Murray
Kay Musgrave
Don Myers
Fay Owen

Kay Owen
Joel Owens
Pat Owens
Sherrill Owens
Raymond Padon
Ann Parker

Freddie Peacock
Dorcus Peninger
Joyce Pennington
Gail Perkins
Jean Plott
Don Pope

Elizabeth Pullen
Danny Raper
David Redwine
Earl Riddle
Howard Richardson
Joanne Rivenbark

Freshmen

Roy Lee Roach
Edna Robertson
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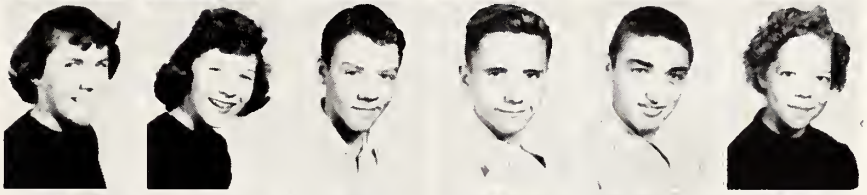
Johnny Sowers
Hilda Spivey



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Gail Story
Martha Streetman
Adena Swing
Jimmy Swicegood
Nancy Swink

Judy Taylor
Pattie Sue Taylor
Rose Ann Teachy
Worth Thomason
James Thompson
Cleveland Townsend

Clyde Truell
Eugene Tussey
Jerry Tysinger
Mary Varner
Martha Walser
Martha Sue Wessinger

Geraldine West
Jackie White
George Wilson
Mary Wilson
Pat Wilson
Larry Wolfe

Alice Yarbrough
Barbara Yarbrough
Peggy Yarbrough
Phillip Yarbrough
Bonnie York
Loretta Thomason
Carolyn Yountz

Sub Frosh

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First row, left to right: G. Beck, B. Briggs, J. Barton, G. Atwood, D. Block, B. Briggs, J. Biesecker, P. Burkhart. *Second row:* J. Barber, J. Burke, E. Atwood, R. Burkhart, C. Bruton, M. Avery, B. Burkhead, B. Beck. *Third row:* I. Blaylock, M. Beck, C. Briggs, F. Burrage, L. Benfield, R. Berrier, R. Burleson, N. Beck. *Fourth row:* H. Bruff, T. Burkhart, D. Bland, L. Allen, N. Bailey, R. Aaron, D. Atwood.

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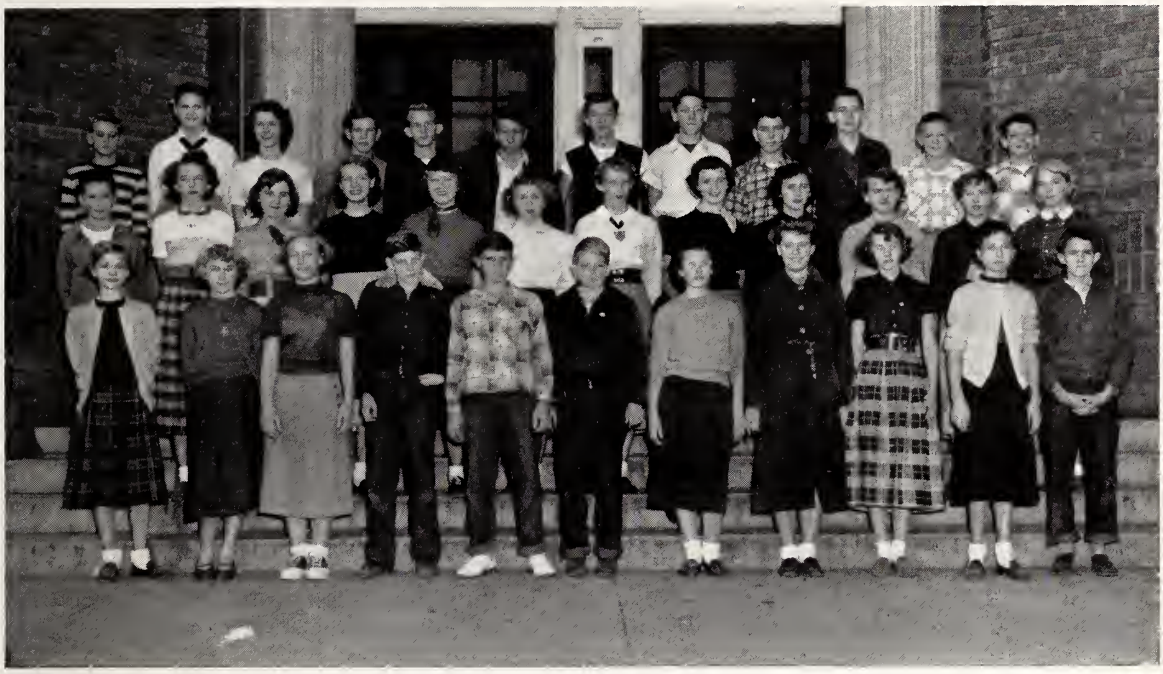

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First row, left to right: J. Varner, B. Williams, A. Wise, S. Treadway, D. Yarbrough, S. Wallace, M. Swink, M. Walker, J. Whiteside, C. Whiteside, K. Williams, S. Walker. *Second row:* D. Tetter, D. Walser, G. Ward, B. Welch, J. Walker, S. Wilson, C. Williams, N. Yountz, G. Young, D. Wrenn, B. Zimmerman. *Third row:* N. Williams, G. Yount, J. Swink, B. Williams, M. Wilson, D. Yarbrough, R. Wilson, D. Williams, B. Yarbrough, W. Wilson. *Fourth row:* E. Welborn, B. Swicegood, G. Wyatt, E. Young.

Sub Frosh

First row, left to right: L. Dorsett, G. Edwards, J. Eastep, S. Cox, B. Cross, C. Everhart. *Second row:* J. Bussinger, J. Davis, J. Easter, B. Erwin, B. Everhart, W. Church. *Third row:* A. Duffey, M. Chaffin, S. Carter, C. Cassidy, R. Byrd, D. Bruton. *Fourth row:* B. Carlton, B. Darr, M. Dorsett, R. Chaffin, J. Cody. *Fifth row:* I. Everhart, J. Conrad, R. Everhart, F. Farrington, R. Deese, G. Davis. *Sixth row:* J. Daniels, M. Cagle, B. Daughety, B. Conrad, C. Everhart, T. Cooper.

First row, left to right: D. Spivey, D. Phelps, D. Smith, T. Staton, F. Smith, M. Smith, R. Russell, S. Roberts, J. Story, G. Swing. *Second row:* L. Parks, D. Peace, W. Starbuck, H. Staton, J. Potts, B. Snyder, S. Philpott, H. Snyder, M. Raye Sargent. *Third row:* B. Presnell, J. Smith, D. Rowe, H. Parker, A. Rich, G. Snyder, D. Robertson, L. Surratt. *Fourth row:* J. Story, W. Soloman, R. Smith, D. Sexton, E. Sechrest, B. Surratt, H. Steed.

Activities

Now in this space,

Reserved for activities,

Our various clubs . . .

Their many festivities.

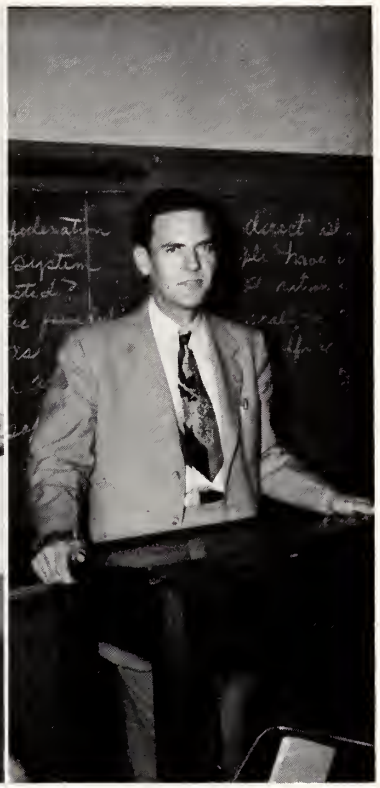
Steering Wheels

"We, the 1952-53 Student Government of Lexington High School, proudly but sadly turn over to you, the officers and your council of next year, the responsibility, joys and memories of being a part of the framework on which our school is founded," concluded Emma Bruton. Her voice grew fainter, fainter, but never completely silent for this small, slight girl who could excel in everything from basketball to being Editor of the *Lexhipep* will always live in the hearts of every Lexington High student who knew her.

The Homecoming Parade, College and Vocational Days, Industrial Education Day, the Student Council Assembly Program, Ivey's pictures to serve as a reminder, the new march records for assembly programs are all a part of the many successfully executed projects this year. Our hats are off to you, the "Steering Wheels" of Lexington High School.

"Parties make the world go round!" *Left to right:* Bobby Leonard, Jimmy Buchanan, Nancy Alley, Helen Thomason, Carol Harvey, Pete Byrd, Bobby Hedrick, Skippy Stoner, Carson Tate, Bobby Pope, and Hulin Cooper.

First row, left to right: Don Phelps, Earl Cheatham, Buddy Yarborough, Jimmy Buchanan, J. D. Goins, J. R. Fowler, Robert Hedrick, Jerry Lohr, Sambo Hayes. *Second row, left to right:* Emma Bruton, Nancy Alley, Jody Foster, Helen Thomason, Libby Coltrane, Betty Block, Diza Rogers, Caroline Swain, Carol Harvey, Shirley Gallimore, Frances Crowell, Janet Crotts. *Third row, left to right:* Bobby Leonard, Skippy Stoner, Bobby Pope, Eddie Cathell, Hoyle Bruff, Jimmy Atkins, Eugene Pope, Pete Byrd, Carson Tate, Corky Webb, Susan Stewart, Phyllis Weaver, Mary Mel Farris, Jody Easter, Becky Strange, Hazel Owens.



STUDENT BODY OFFICERS look over the Student Handbook that was presented to the high school in September. *Left to right:* Diza Rogers, Treasurer; Emma Bruton, President; Caroline Swaim, Secretary; J. D. Goins, Vice-President. Mr. Theodore Leonard, beloved advisor of the Student Council, in a typical pose at right.

Bottom left: Just before the mad scramble at the "break," Storekeepers Eddie Cathell, Carol Harvey, Robert Hedrick and Jody Foster, pause for a few minutes. *Bottom right:* Mackey Redwine and Mary Ruth Ples enjoy the situation as Dermie Lohr shares his candy bar from the school store with Gene Wall.

Lexicon

Ten eager faces crowded that tiny cell. Each seemed elbow deep in a most important project. Behind a cluttered desk sat a weary looking red-headed girl. With "Catfish" in her billfold, a pencil over her ear, a ruler in hand, a pencil over the other ear, stacks of pictures in front of her, and a pencil in her mouth, Mary Lou prepared to draw up an annual.

Ronnie asked, "Did Johnny take the picture of the band getting off the bus this afternoon?"

"Yes, he and 'Mac' went to the field this morning and took several pictures," replied John Byron. "Jeanette Williams and I got the Latin Club pictures today, too," added Gloria.

The door opened. Helen, Bobby, J. D., and Charley entered smiling triumphantly. "We each got two new ads!" announced J. D.

"Excellent," piped up Gordon as "Snyder" collected the money.

Beryl rose from her seat. "Does anybody know if he has a nickname?" she asked in an attempt to finish the Senior Section before the bell rang . . . deadlines, deadlines. Sue, looking up from the typewriter, paused long enough to tell Beryl that they called the boy in question "Poochie!" Beryl lapsed back into silence.

Rebecca speaks: "Did everyone turn in their receipt book?" No answer. She assumed that to be an affirmative reply. All of a sudden . . . a loud noise came from the other room. Everybody anticipated what would follow (Robert was talking to Miss Ring). "That 'Fmu,' he's the craziest thing! Did you hear about the time that. . . ."

And so it went from the first day when we were introduced to our new adviser, Miss Betty Jo Ring, to the mad rush to meet deadline, welcoming Mr. Smith, taking the last picture and bits of copy to the post office, and finally—"Will you sign my LEXICON, please?"

Top left: Hardworking Editor, Mary Lou Nance, is busy thinking of ideas to make the annual "better than ever." *Bottom left:* Beryl Block, Senior Editor, and Betty McGee, Club Editor, look up a name in the "file." *Bottom right:* Gloria Griffith, Feature Editor, and J. B. Lopp, Assistant Editor, scan the '52 annual.

At left, Associate Business Managers, Gordon Swaim and Tommy Snyder, do some "last-minute" checking on the Ad Section. *At right,* the Business Staff composed of Charles Overcash, Bobby "Coon" Miller, J. D. Goins, Helen Dare Thompson, and Miss Ring, advisor, look over LEXICON advertiser's bulletin board.

Top right: Ronnie Crow, Sports Editor, examines "dummy" with his assistant, Robert Hedrick. *Bottom left:* Sue Rogers, Typist, pauses at her typewriter as photographer catches her and Rebecca Yarbrough, Bookkeeper, hard at work in the "office." *Bottom right:* Johnny Wilson, photographer, the guy who made the LEXICON a reality.

Emma Bruton, enterprising Editor, hangs up her coat in the *Lexhipep* room.

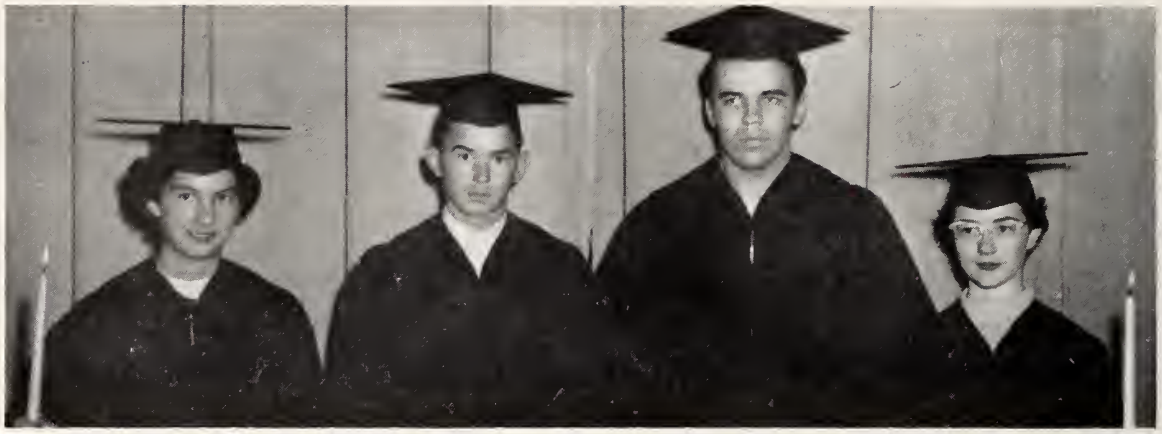
Lexhipep

Rattling typewriters . . . Potential Jane Ardens and Ernie Pyles . . . Staff meetings . . . Business managers "manage" businessmen . . . ads, ads, and more ads . . . Gossip box sizzling with new romances . . . On to "Santa Claus" letters . . . Crumbled paragraphs on the floor . . . Track meet to answer phone . . . *Lexhipep* assembly . . . Curtain calls . . . Parades . . . Floats . . . A winner! . . . Crunch—Eddie sat on the record . . . Back to work . . . Stories due tomorrow . . . Black coffee, late hours . . . Short remarks . . . Work . . . On to the printer . . . Folding *Lexhipeps* . . . No dinner . . . Limp hands . . . The finished products—nine times yearly! . . . Reward: Down the halls, "Look, MY name's in print!"

Bottom right: Betty Block, Alumni Editor; shows Kathryn Fitch, Exchange Editor; Dermie Lohr, Photographer; and Mary Cox, Feature Editor; pictures of some old L. H. S. "alums." *Top right:* Jane Young, Literary Editor; Rochelle Thomason, Assistant Editor; and Nancy Alley, Assistant Literary Editor; look at the "finished product." *Bottom left:* Carson Tate, Sports Editor; and Bob Timberlake, Assistant Sports Editor; pose by the trophy case in the *Lexhipep* Room.

At left, Business Managers, Macky Redwine and his assistant, Ed Coble, were caught by photographer as they prepare to "manage" local businessmen. *At right,* Mrs. Otis Hedrick, *Lexhipep* advisor, is, as always, hard at work.

Top left: Don Haynes, Joke Editor, and Jeanette Leonard, School News Editor, enjoy the "pause that refreshes" after the *Lexhipep* has been distributed. *Bottom left:* Larry Swing, Bookkeeper, gives Typists, Jones Almond, Martha Hunt, and Jo Gargis, a job to do. *Bottom right:* Columnists, Betty Wilkinson and Phyllis Breedon, listen on the "party-line" to a juicy piece of gossip.



Honor Society Officers pose in robes before traditional induction of new members. *Left to right:* Kathryn Fitch, Treasurer; Charles Overcash, President; J. B. Lopp, Vice-President; and Jeanette Leonard, Secretary.

The "Wheels" Roll On

Many hearts beat faster in anticipation, but there were few who attained the greatest honor Lexington High conveys—membership in the Honor Society.

This year, pumpkins, whirling skirts, and flying feet ushered in the annual Halloween Square Dance. The attendance banner presented to a homeroom every month heralded another Honor Society project as did the smiles that greeted the winner of the scholastic medal at the end of the year.

Senior members of the "honor-roll" club are: *left to right, first row:* Mary Lou Nance, Emma Bruton, Sue Rogers, Jimmy Harris, Ronnie Crow, Kathryn Fitch. *Second row:* Carson Tate, Mary Cox, Lila Thompson, Jo Gargis, Nancy Carolyn Potts, Jeanette Leonard. *Third row:* Sue Westmoreland, Betty Wilkinson, Jones Almond, Charles Overcash, J. B. Lopp, and Miss Janie Manning, advisor.

At left, President, Don Haynes, Vice-President, Betty Block, and Secretary, Rebecca Carlton, admire the Treasurer, Mena Way Marsh's Beta Club pin. *At right,* Mrs. Harold Bowen, advisor, Charles Overcash, Alice Bruton, Beryl Block, Nora Albright, and Jake Ayers embark on their trip to the Beta Club Convention.

Beta Club

Not only do you see faces looking from this page at you, you see qualities, too. Good character, creditable achievement, and commendable attitudes—these are three of the main requirements to become a member of the Beta Club.

Months flew, as the "up and at 'em" Beta Club members opened long-shut closets and drawers in search of old clothes for their rummage sale. President, Don Haynes; Vice-President, Betty Block; Secretary, Rebecca Carlton; and Treasurer, Mena Way Marsh, along with advisor, Mrs. Jean Bowen, could all be heard telling the town about the "trem-ee-ndous" bargains that could be found at their sale. The Beta Club Convention in Raleigh during the spring term was another "big-doings" that completed the 1952-53 year.

"Y'a do it like this, y'all!"—and who else to demonstrate but "Catfish" Haynes, Beta Club President, to other Beta Club members. *First row, sitting:* Nora Albright, Alice Bruton, Gladys Hemphill, Emma Bruton. *Second row:* Jo Gargis, Jones Almond, "Chas" Overcash, Beryl Block, Mary Lou Nance ("Hey, look at Catfish, gal!") *Third row:* J. R. Fowler, Carson Tate, Tommy Mauney, J. B. Lopp, J D. Goins, Eugene Pope. *Standing:* Mena Way Marsh, "Catfish" Haynes, Rebecca Carlton, Betty Block.

They Create, Maintain, and

That long-awaited announcement . . . lucky gals . . . excited faces . . . then, stringy hair, greasy faces, and THUNDERBOLT perfume . . . the glittery coronation . . . Homecoming . . . the Queen's float . . . gab-fests at the "Y" . . . Beryl versus Betty . . . behold—the proud owner of a sparkling Tri-Hi-Y pin!

"Whatcha sec. girls?" (Each one seems to have a different opinion of the object in question!) Popular officers of the Tri-Hi-Y are Beryl Block, President; Phyllis Breedon, Treasurer; Nancy Alley, Vice-President; Rebecca Carlton, Secretary. *At right,* Emma Bruton, Mary Lou Nance, Betty Wilkinson, Jane Young give Betty Block, new inductee, "the treatment."

"All for one and one for all!" Tri-Hi-Y girls are, *left to right, first row:* Carol Harvey, Hazel Owen, Gladys Hemphill, Rochelle Thomason, Pat Raker, Nancy Alley, Betty Block, Alice Bruton. *Second row:* Advisor, Miss Flayree Hill, Emma Bruton, Mary Lou Nance, Shirley Leonard, Phyllis Breedon, Betty Wilkinson, Elizabeth Floyd, Jane Young, Carolyn Moore. *Third row:* Beryl Block, Sarah Williamson, Sue Westmoreland, Sue Rogers, Jo Gargis, Diza Rogers, Rebecca Carlton, Joann Leonard, Margaret Ann Powell.

Extend Christian Character

Spaghetti and meat balls at the "Y" . . . J. B. presiding . . . Snappy outfits on backwards, shoe-shine cans, and "Yes, Mr.—" . . Twisting local merchants to get ads . . . Homecoming program . . . Whirling wheels at the local rink . . . Tasty barbecue, best girls, and the spring moon end an eventful year.

Hi-Y Sponsor in Homecoming festivities is Sarah Williamson. Admiring males are: Ed Covington, Pete Byrd, and Jake Ayers while Gene Wall drives. Pictured in Eddie Cathell's jeep are Hi-Y Officers John Byron Lopp, President; Charles Overcash, Vice-President; Gordon Swaim, Secretary, and J. D. Goins, Treasurer.

"Our dream men" are, *left to right, first row*: Gary Myers, Buddy Link, Bill Lee, Jake Ayers, Harold Burkhart, Macky Redwine. *Second row*: Charles Overcash, Tommy Willis, J. D. Goins, Gordon Swaim, Homer Shipwash, Jones Almond, and advisor, Harold Bowen. *Third row*: "Suggie" Conrad, Tommy Mauney, Don Biesecker, J. B. Lopp, Ed Covington, Pete Byrd, Don Haynes, Ronnie Crow.

"Key Klubbers"

"Come on, boys, get those cars parked!" This cry seemed to establish itself as the Key Club motto at the annual County Fair. But helping with the parking facilities was not the only project undertaken by these "up and going" Junior Kiwanians. Through the leadership of President Johnny Wilson and advisor, Emery Raper, the annual Key Klub Kage Kontest, "rocking" parties at the lake (dance experts — Emery Raper and Parks Easter), meetings at the Y, and the District Convention, are vivid memories now; and any of the thirty-five boys can boast with pride of his membership in, and his leadership through, the Key Club.

"What seems to be wrong, boys?" asks J. D. Goins, Vice-President, as he walks up to find fellow Key Club Officers, Johnny Wilson, President; J. B. Lopp, Secretary; and Gordon Swaim, Treasurer; looking at the motor in Johnny's new car.

"Glasses, Macky?" Key Club members are, *first row, left to right*: Buddy Link, Bob Timberlake, Jake Ayers, Bob Stafford, Robert Hedrick, Doug Sink. *Second row*: Homer Shipwash, Bill Lee, J. D. Goins, Gordon Swaim, Charles Overcash, Jones Almond, Macky Redwine, Charles Lanier. *Third row*: Jerry Carlton, J. B. Lopp, Eugene Pope, Ronnie Crow, Don Haynes, Tommy Snyder, Jimmy Lippard, Dan Everhart, Dermie Lohr, Carlyle Craven. *Fourth row*: Bascom Leonard, Tommy Willis, Bobby Miller, Bill Dinwiddie, Johnny Wilson, Ray Davis, Edgar Mull, J. R. Fowler, Ed Coble.

Quill and Scroll

"Does anybody have any ideas for projects this year?" With this statement by President Gordon Swaim, the Quill and Scroll with its newly elected members, entered enthusiastically into plans for a full and busy year. The first project this year was to purchase a Bible written in Braille for an afflicted man in Lexington. The collection of old magazines to be sent to veterans' hosipital in North Carolina proved to be successful. The annual Student-Faculty basketball game was also met with equal enthusiam.

President, Gordon Swaim; Vice-President, J. D. Goins; and Beryl Block, Secretary-Treasurer, inspect the Braille Bible to be given to a man in Lexington.

Left: Quill and Scroll members are *left to right, first row:* Jeannette Leonard, Phyllis Breedon, Jane Young, Martha Hunt, Gloria Griffith, "Mac" McGee, Nancy Alley. *Second row:* Emma Bruton, Rochelle Thomason, Jones Almond, Betty Block, Kathryn Fitch, Jeanette Williams, Betty Wilkinson. *Third row:* Carson Tate, Bobby Miller, Mary Lou Nance, Don Haynes, Robert Hedrick, Ronnie Crow, "Chas" Overcash, Gordon Swaim, Dermie Lohr, and J. B. Lopp. *Not pictured:* J. D. Goins, Helen Thomason, Sue Rogers, Tommy Snyder, Rebecca Yarbrough, Eddie Coble, Mary Cox, and Bob Timberlake; and Advisors, Mrs. Ottis Hedrick and Miss Betty Jo Ring.

Right: "We're having a ball!" The first meeting of the Quill and Scroll enjoyed by Rochelle Thomason, Jeanette Williams, Nancy Alley, Jones Almond, Gloria Griffith, Jane Young, Robert Hedrick, Macky Redwine, Phyllis Breedon, John Byron Lopp, "Mac" McGee, Martha Hunt, "Catfish" Haynes, Johnny Wilson, Helen Dare Thomason, J. D. Goins.

Left to right: Martha Hunt, Jane Young, "Mac" McGee, Betty Wilkinson, Sue Rogers, and Phyllis Breedon enjoy magazines before they are given to veterans' hospitals.

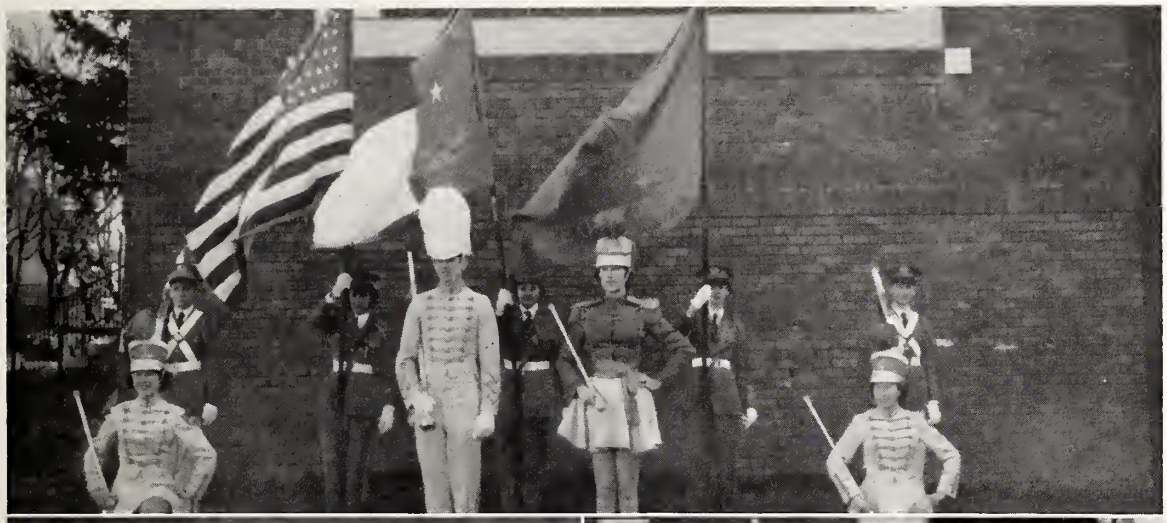
Wagner's Wonders

It was hot. There was not a breeze anywhere—that kind of weather that makes you dream of a shady hammock and a frosty lemonade. This was a band member's dream, but the "hup-two-three-four" drill made only dreams of practice and parades, and parades and practice. Richmond, Virginia was a dream come true—second prize in the Tobacco Festival Parade.

The tired feet and sweat of the brow proved worthwhile as both band members and followers remember—pep meetings and football games, Christmas and Spring Concerts, and successful spring contest and Band Clinics—all were direct results of those sweltering days of practice.

Mr. Belford Wagner, the man who made the band what it is today. smiles down on his daughter, Bonnie, the band mascot.

Band members participating in the band concert are: *First row, left to right:* Elaine Medlin, Joann Leonard. *Second row:* Becky Strange, Jo Ann Beeker, Gail Musgrave, Kay Musgrave, Bobby Swing, Jeanette Leonard, Jimmy Buchanan, Don Stokes, Ann Parker, Joann Sweatt, Hazel Owens, Nancy Beck, Phyllis Clifford, Nancy Rimer, Carolyn Mock, Gail Perkins, Beth Everhart. *Third row:* Pat Wilson, Nancy Swink, Alice Ann Yarborough, Iris Washburn, Linda Freeman, Prissy Druary, Doris Abernathy, Martha Hedrick, Shirley Jones, Joe Yarborough, Pat Harkey, Richard Dorsett, Earl Cheatham, Leonard Privette, Sarah Stamey, Tommy Young, Winfred McBride, Dwight Pickard, Jr., Don Myers, Freddy Pope, Linden Young, Bobby Fine, John Walser, Jerry Carlton, Roy Lee Roach, Mrs. Belford Wagner, Charles Essick. *Fourth row:* Winifred Andrews, Jerry Kearns, Richard Walker, Clifford Jones, Charline Morgan, Dorcus Koontz, Richard Morgan, Robert Weaver, Jimmy Waitman, Corky Webb, Tony Medlin, Dean Parks, Freddie Younts, John Everhart, Frank Mock, David Wendler, Carson Tate, Charles Snyder, Hulin Cooper, Don Swing, Jerrell Ann Sutton, Glenn Owen, Bobby Hedrick, Francis Trexler, Dickie Harris, Ted Conrad, Phillip Yarbrough, J. R. Fowler, Belford V. Wagner, Director. *Not pictured:* Carl Purdee, Carolyn Moorefield.



At top: The guiding spirits of the band are, *left to right, first row:* Hazel Owens, Carson Tate, Nancy Rimer, Pat Wilson. *Second row:* Glenn Owen, Nancy Beck, Joann Leonard, Jo Ann Beeker, Jimmy Buchanan. *Middle left:* "Sounds fine!" Mr. Wagner holds practice in the auditorium. Band members pictured are: *left to right:* Iris Washburn, Martha Hedrick, Louise Story, and Maxine Hedrick. *Middle right:* "Well, we made it!" says Ray McCrary, Dean Parks, Kay Musgrave, Nancy Beck, Hazel Owens, as they arrive at State Music Contest. *Bottom left:* J. R. ("Mr. President") Fowler getting ready to practice at the ball park. Anybody recognize Carson Tate's car? *Bottom right:* Band officers talking over the problems of a band in the "boiler-room" are, *left to right:* Dean Parks, Business Manager; Winifred Andrews, Secretary; Bobby Swing, Librarian; J. R. Fowler, President; Hazel Owens, Vice-President; Carson Tate, Treasurer.

Words 'n Music

Frank Smith, Jimmy Lippard, and Graham Rowe listen as Diza Rogers, Wilhelmina Leonard, Bobbie Hedrick, Gladys Comer, Rebecca Carlton and Jerry Carlton harmonize. Caught at right, just as they begin a new song, are Pianist, Mary Lou Nance; and Officers, Shirley Leonard, Secretary; Diza Rogers, President; Jerry Carlton, Vice-President; Clara Martin, Librarian; and Gladys Comer, Librarian.

Members of the Glee Club are, *left to right, first row:* Ann Gallimore, Louise Beck, Robbie Hedrick, Rebecca Carlton, Diza Rogers, Shirley Leonard, Betty Curry, Barbara Clodfelter, Margaret Ann Ford, Doris Mobley, Maxine Payne. *Second row:* Nancy Ford, Jo Ann Weaver, Peggy Broadway, Joyce Hedrick, Donese Murray, Martha Abernathy, Loretta Young, Alice Mae Swing, Hillary Jones, Janet Crotts, Carol Harvey, Joyce Berrier, Betty Lou Everhart. *Third row:* Jo Ann Lee, Jeanette Mills, Wilhemina Leonard, June Leonard, Elsie Mann, Regina Cissel, Lovina Mills, Doris Carpenter, Mary Everhart, Jeannie Gosnell, Ramona Leonard, Peggy Washburn, Opal Lineberry, Rena Mae Ellis. *Fourth row:* Odell Story, Bobby Briggs, Bobby Leonard, Gladys Comer, Jeannine Swink, Phyllis Weaver, Joyce McDaniel. *Fifth row:* Graham Rowe, Franklin Smith, Corky Webb, Jimmy Lippard, Carmelita McCarn, Mary Lou Nance, Clara Martin, Jerry Carlton, Darrell Spencer, Hulin Cooper, George Trogden, Richard Perryman.

At left: Members of the Latin Club are, *left to right, first row:* Gene Hamilton, Alice Tussey, Reba Lanning, Edna Haynes. *Second row:* Betty Billings, Jane Cook, Jo Teague, Ramona Leonard. *Third row:* Janet Smith, Winifred Andrews, Marcia Bell, Tillie Beck, Caroline Swaim, Sara Swicegood, Rhonda Robbins, Jody Easter. *Fourth row:* Eddie Cathell, Raye Sechrest, Martin Erwin, Curtis Williams, Joe Sink, Bob Stafford, Miss Jones, Bob Fitzgerald, Nonie Smith, Kearney Koonts, Tommy Tussey. *At right:* Latin Club officers, *left to right:* Bob Stafford, Joe Sink, Mary Mel Farris, and Snookie Money investigate Roman House built by students.

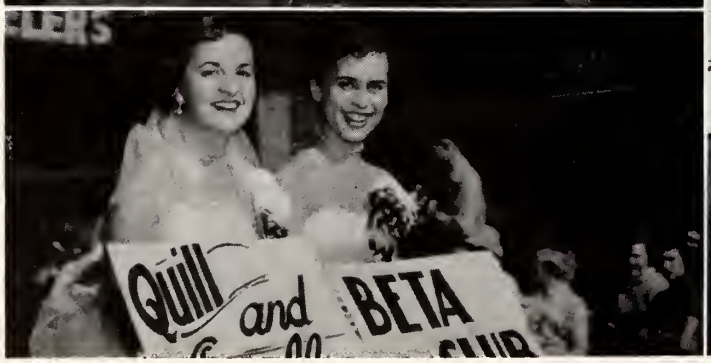
Romani Moderni

Future Homesteaders

The Future Homemakers of America get a taste of cooking 'n' sewing. They are, *left to right, first row:* Libby Coltrane, Jeanette Williams, Jody Foster, Sara Swicegood, Alice McCrary, Mary Catherine Bailey, Betty Brinkley. *Second row:* Advisor, Mrs. Theodore Leonard, Mary Alice Wilson, Ruth Wilson, Nancy Swink, Carol Shivar, Carol Harvey, Rhonda Robbins, Adena Swing, Dotty Jane Lopp, Joanne Rivenbark, Nancy Campbell. *Third row:* Jean Billings, Patsy Foust, Tillie Beck, Martha Walser, Peggy Cathell, Shirley Beck, Carol McGee, Sue Potts, Opal Lineberry.

"Will you help me find a book?" This is a familiar sentence to the capable library staff. *Left to right:* Glenda Brown, Ronnie Weaver, Don Curry, Martha Hunt, Ann Carolyn Leonard, Miss Harriet Tucker, Terri Hewitt, Mable Perrell, Mary Reid Snyder, Shirley Frank, Jo Ann Lee. *Not pictured:* Sarah Williamson.

Top left: "Ah—ah, 'Crab,' don't disturb hard-working Phyllis!" Rochelle "Test-tube" Thomason looks on as Martha Hunt, Betty Block, and Dermie Lohr slave over their "Three R's." *At bottom left:* "Beauty is its own excuse for being." Mena Way Marsh, Beta Club sponsor, and Betty Wilkinson, Quill and Scroll sponsor, in the Homecoming Parade uphold this quotation. *At right we see:* officers of the F. H. A., Sara Swicegood, President; Alice McCrary, Vice-President; Angella Foster, Secretary; Mary Catherine Bailey, Treasurer; pause for a minute in the Home Economics room.



Athletics

From football to baseball

The whole year through.

Turn the page,

For a sports review.

Yellin' Gals

If you went to any of the L.H.S. ball games, especially football, you probably noticed a group of girls dressed in blue leading in cheers for the fighting Yellow Jackets. This was made possible by the vivacious girls, pictured on this page, and their advisor, Miss Charlotte Matthews. Tiny Donna Marie Scarlet served as the cheerleaders' mascot while Emma Bruton yelled, grew redder, 'n' yelled some more, as head cheerleader. Of course a squad is never complete without a substitute, filled by Rebecca Carlton.

Each girl in Lexington High School has the privilege of going out for the cheering squad and in the fall pep and energy burst forth in competition.

In remembering the 1953 year at L.H.S., we recall that football team—those basketball teams—but foremost, those bouncing bundles of pep dressed in orange and blue!

Top right: Cheerleader statuettes. *Bottom left:* Advisor, Miss Matthews, and Head Cheerleader, Emma Bruton, show off our little mascot, Donna Marie Scarlet. *Bottom right:* Cheerleaders in action are, *first row, left to right:* Alice Bruton, Phyllis Weaver, Emma Bruton, Mary Ruth Pless. *Second row:* Sue Westmoreland, Pat Raker, Caroline Swaim, Rochelle Thomason, and Jenny Davis.

Grid Greats

Once again the Yellow Jackets took to the gridiron to represent the Orange and Blue of L. H. S. Although tasting victory in but two games out of a ten-game schedule, the Jackets showed spark and hustle.

As the season progressed, the team's ability did the same. Don Biesecker, stellar guard, made the all-conference team, along with Don Haynes, six-foot four-inch end. By popular vote from the squad, Haynes received the award for the best lineman; Biesecker was the most outstanding; while Goins received the best-back award.

Coach Harold Bowen, with the help of his assistants, Carroll Bowen and V. G. Price, worked up a number of offensive formations. Yes, we commend the fine coaching staff for their efficient work throughout the season.

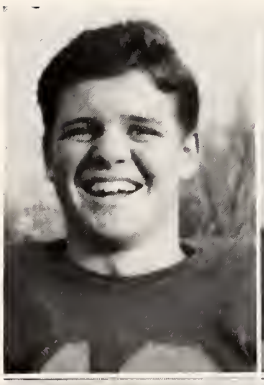
The unforgettable squad, as they lined up for the kick-off, boys for their first year on the gridiron, jittery, restless, cold, and adjusting their helmets. The touchdowns painfully scored—the great thrill passed through the cheering section as the band marched by, or when the cheerleaders bounced up, and noise rose to meet a meager score on the board, but a victorious spirit in L. H. S.

Coaches, Carroll Bowen, Harold Bowen, and V. G. Price, look over plays. . . . Crowell leads squad to gridiron. . . . Haynes, No. 29, after a fumble.

"It matters not whether we win or

Coach had his subs ready to go. Manager, Buddy Link, awaits his turn for duty. *Bottom left:* Stafford, No. 18, does a gridiron ballet. *Bottom right:* Peacock carries ball on kick-off.

Stafford
Redwine



Covington
Wallace

Hedrick
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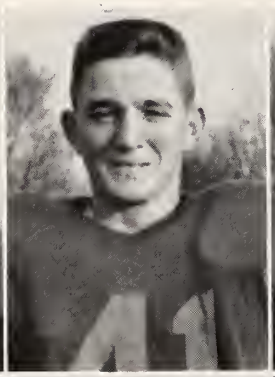

Conrad
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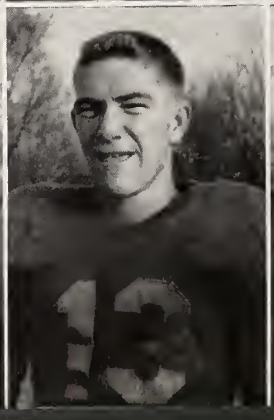


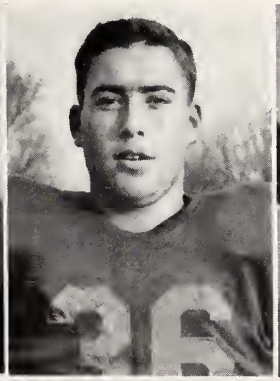
lose; it's how we play the game"

Captains, Byrd (38) and Haynes (29) question the "ref" about the first down; Crowell (23) and Lee (11) look on. *Bottom left:* End, Don Haynes, receives pass for a Yellow Jacket touchdown. Lee threw the pass. *Bottom right:* Willis circles the end for a gain.

Mull
M. Byrd

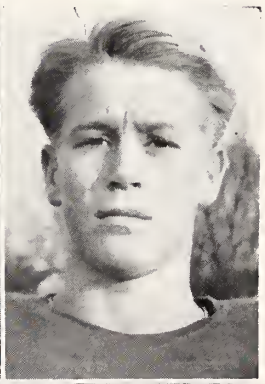
Phillips
Peacock

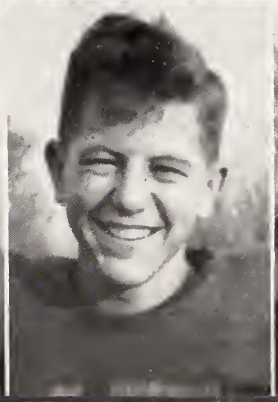
Burkhart
Davis



Everhart
Timberlake

Williams
Miller





Team: Fight: Work— Next Year's Team

Top left: Goins (22) and Redwine (15) after a back's hide. Everhart (25) is coming in from behind. *Top right:* A Gastonia back streaks for the sidelines, but B. Pope (27) heads him off. *Bottom:* Putting on the armor in the dressing room are, *front row, left to right:* Mull, Peacock, Hedrick. *Standing behind,* are Crowell and Goins.

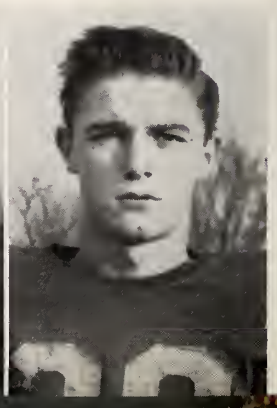
Coppley

White

Lanier

Crowell

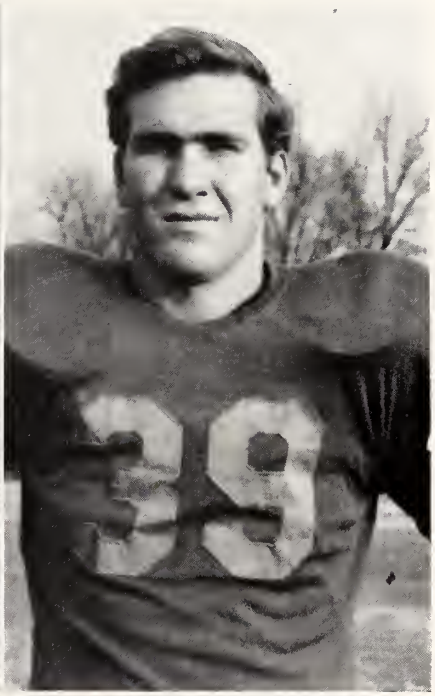
Willis



Tabulations

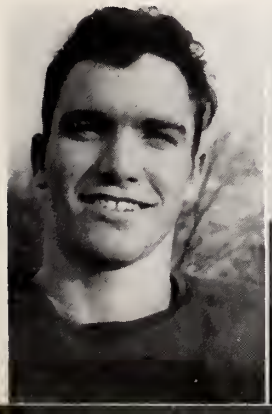
Lexington	0	Gastonia	46
Lexington	0	Albemarle	19
Lexington	0	Barium Springs	7
Lexington	12	Concord	25
Lexington	12	Mills Home	0
Lexington	7	Children's Home	12
Lexington	0	Asheboro	20
Lexington	7	Hanes High	27
Lexington	0	Thomasville	13
Lexington	19	Kernersville	0

Managers are, *left to right*, Meade Freeman, Buddy Link, and Tommy Snyder. Link called himself head manager.



The tri-captains this season were Don Haynes, Pete Byrd, and Don Biesecker. This is the first time in a number of years that all of the tri-captains had been linemen; all were very outstanding throughout the season.

Goins



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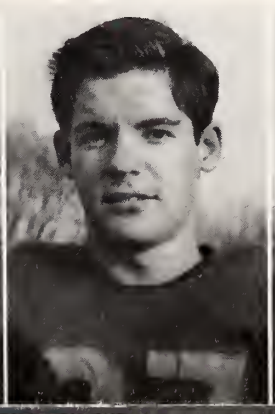

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'53 Hardwooders

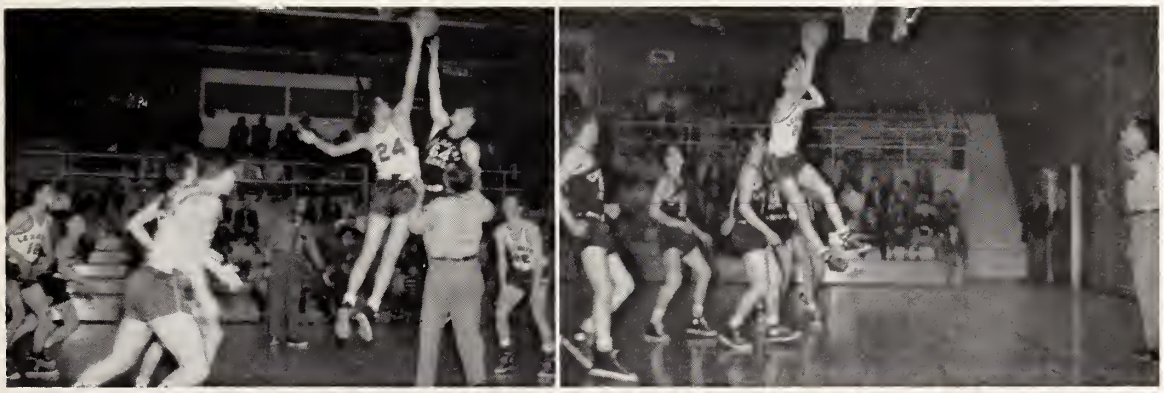
Swish! Another basket made by the Yellow Jackets. This was that all important basket. It finally pushed the score two points above the opposition. Coach Carroll Bowen gave a modest smile and a relieved expression as the game came to a victorious end. If you attended the opening of the new gym, you easily recall this scene. Pete Byrd and Don Haynes at forward; Eugene Pope and Tommy Mauney at guard; and Ronnie Crow at center formed a rough bit of competition. The entire squad, composed of sixteen boys, saw action this season.

The '53 squad kept action in every minute of play. There was never a lull in thrills when the Yellow Jacket quintet was racing up and down the court. On their raids to out-of-town courts, the basketeers proved the same sportsmanship and ability on strange courts.

We take our hats off to Coach Carroll Bowen and his entire crew for making another complete era of basketball at Lexington High School. We well remember the tall, lanky five as they dribbled up the court breaking in the clear for a chance at a shot for the basket. The team must remember the rousing cheers of the student body as each point was dropped through the net.

Top: Coach Bowen and Captain Crow check previous game scores. *Middle:* The managers are loafing as usual. *Pictured left to right:* Kent Meadows, Jack Coppley, and Jimmy Buchanan. *Bottom:* Byrd leaps high for ball and Crow (22) along with Mauney (21) and Pope (20) help recover ball.

First row, left to right: Ronnie Crow, Don Haynes, Tommy Mauney, Eugene Pope, Pete Byrd. *Second row, left to right*: Mickey Byrd, David Rivenbark, Bobby Leonard, Charles Overcash, Gordon Swaim. *Third row, left to right*: Freddie Peacock, Bobby Stafford, Joe Sink, Meade Freeman, Scott Craven.



Left: Haynes (24) jumps center. Swaim (16) awaits tip off along with Mauney (21) and Crow (22). *Right*: Crow (22) shoots and hits for another Yellow Jacket score.

Dribblettes

Girls' basketball, the only athletic competition in which an L. H. S. girl may participate, was exciting and spirited in this '53 season. Eager, giggling females appeared in masses for that first day of practice; it was impossible for even Coach Helen McBroom to move on the court as she faced the dreaded job of narrowing this group to a superlative fifteen.

After the first miserable days of grueling exercises, the prospective "stars" settled down to the coming weeks of hard work. Exhausted forwards woke with a start as they hit the basket for the winning point—only to find that it was all a dream; would-be guards guarded imaginary players with the ferocity and stealthiness of a tiger.

The girls made their games just as exciting as the boys, not only by their flashy floor-work and fine ability, but by their wonderful sense of good-sportsmanship and fair play. They command a great portion of praise for their commendable attitude.

The forwards, piloted by flashy and fast Emma Bruton, and tall, consistent Jackie Crotts, kept the scoring end going; while guards, led by the brilliant work of Edna Haynes and Doris Kennon, kept the opponents' score down. Sarah Conrad, another outstanding guard, was consistently on the job throughout the season. Gladys Hemphill, although small, is a terrific sure-shot from all angles of the court.

The '53 team had no lack of support at home or away, because the fans were "with them all the way." The girls lost games, but they never lost their tremendous drive to win "the next one."

Most of the praise is due Coach Helen McBroom, who whipped a fine team into shape from a host of green-horn athletes, very few of whom had any previous experience. She was truly the driving spirit behind the girls that kept their morale up to a peak; so, "Fifteen rahs" for Coach Helen McBroom. She truly deserves it.

Top: Coach McBroom instructs Captain Bruton before game. *Middle:* Managers check Mary Lou's scorebook. Pictured left to right are Nora Albright, Mary Lou Nance, and Evelyn Holmes. *Bottom:* Emma Bruton, on floor, scrambles for ball as Jackie Crotts and Alice Bruton move in to help.

First row, left to right: Emma Bruton, Sarah Conrad, Jackie Crotts, Gladys Hemphill, Doris Kennon. *Second row, left to right:* Edna Haynes, Billie Spry, Phyllis Weaver, Alice Bruton, Jane Nave. *Third row, left to right:* Delores Leonard, Nancy Snyder, Sue Lanning, Caroline Swaim, Doris Carpenter.

Left: Bruton hits from the outside against Children's Home. *Right:* Weaver (16) goes after the ball as Kennon from the right covers Children's Home forward.

Spring Sports

The '52 linksmen were led by veteran golfers, Jones Almond and Macky Redwine. Both boys participated in the state matches in High Point during the spring of '52. L. H. S. proved outstanding throughout the tournament.

Coach Price and his men shared part of the spring limelight. With Biesecker's batting, the pitching of Covington and Shipwash, and fielding of Whisnant, the "Jackets" made up a baseball powerhouse.

Macky Redwine and Jones Almond, L. H. S. linksmen, are engaged in their favorite pastime —shooting the bull.

LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL baseball team for the 1952 season: *First row, left to right:* Homer Shipwash, p.; Sam Berrier, lf; Sam McBride, ss; Bob Stafford, u; Bobby Miller, u; *Second row:* Corky Webb, u; Tommy Owens, rf; Ed Covington, p; Jimmy Lippard, c; Mickey Byrd, u; Gordon Swaim, 2b; *Third row:* Don Biesecker, 3b; Richard Whisnant, cf; Jimmy Atkins, 1b; Hub Yarbrough, c; and Coach V. G. Price.

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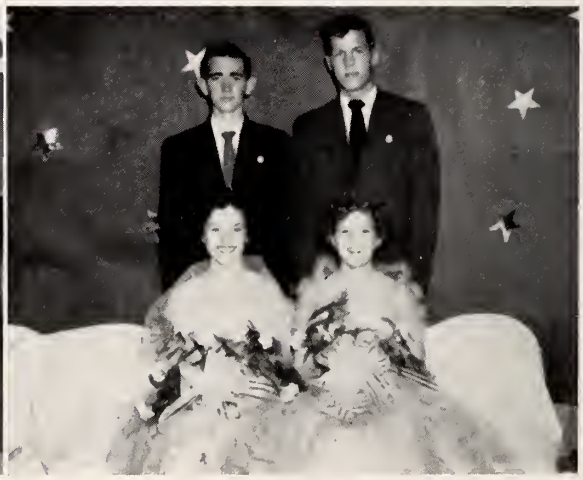
Youngest stars of World Premier were Tammy Smith and Frank Turberville, III.



Left: Mary Lou Nance and Don Haynes, Emma Bruton and Eugene Pope. *Right:* Diza Rogers and Buddy Link, Shirley Leonard and Jerry Crowell.

Left: Jane Young and Jones Almond, Betty Wilkinson and Bill Lee. *Right:* Sue Rogers and Jimmy Harris, Jo Ann Leonard and Jake Ayers.

Left: Margaret Powell and Don Biesecker, Sarah Williamson and Ed Covington. *Right:* Lib Floyd and Ronnie Crow, Jo Gargis and Joe Lytle.

Left: Phyllis Breedon and Charles Lanier, Beryl Block and Johnnie Wilson. *Right:* Carolyn Moore and Pete Byrd, Sue Westmoreland and Dan Everhart.

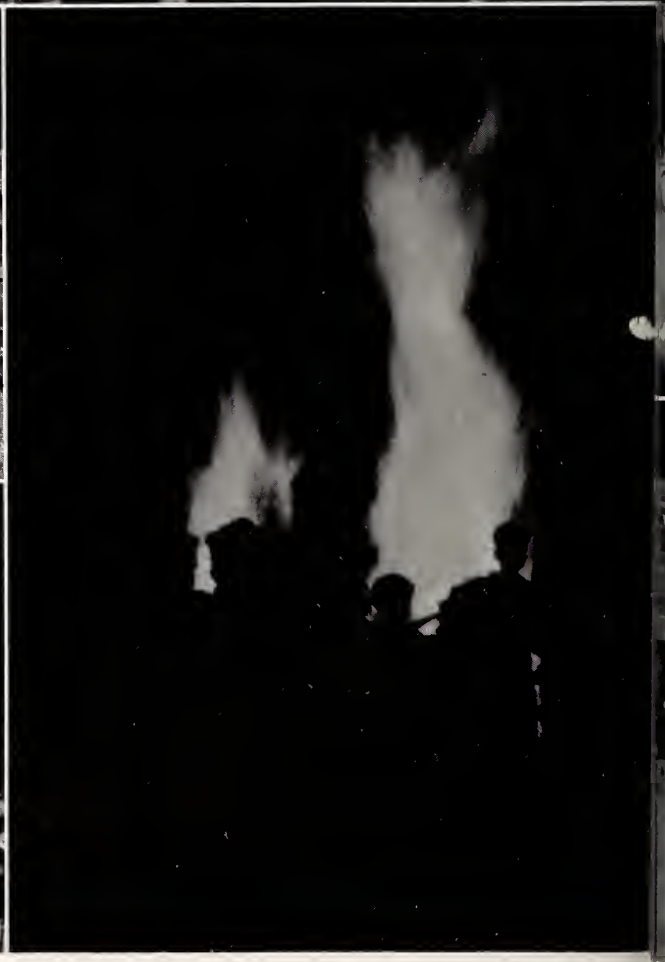
At last our annuals are here and busy signing those prized possessions are *left to right:* J. D. Goins, Robert Hedrick, Gloria Griffith, Bobby Miller, Helen Thomason, and Ronnie Crow. *Top left:* It's 3:15 again and weary students head for the drugstore. *Middle left:* In the teachers' assembly, Miss Miller, Miss Hunt, Miss McBroom, Miss Gilliam, Miss Jones and Miss Hill will step into the limelight as coy can-can dancers, while "Amos" Harold Bowen and "Andy" Carroll Bowen go into their hilarious act. *In middle right:* Mr. Taylor, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Hardee, and Miss Ring, in costumes, discuss the program with director, coach Price. *At bottom left:* Mary Lou Nance, Charles Overcash, and Beryl Block make last minute touches on LEXICON Campaign posters. *Bottom right:* Going over script for this unusual assembly program are Betty McGee, J. B. Lopp, and Johnnie Wilson.

They Are Tops

Caught in an unusual moment of rest, *at left*, are Eva Krump and Magdaline Holt. *In the center* is the L. H. S. "Johnny-on-the-spot," Mr. Leonard, affectionately known as "Speedy," and to the *right* we see Mr. Sink taking a breathing spell.

Everyday

Leroy Matthews, driving examiner, gives Clara Martin her eye test as Sylvia Taylor, Jean Yarbrough, Carolyn Moore, and instructor, Harold Bowen, look on in top left picture. *Top right:* Information please! Miss Tucker helps Ronda Robbins find a brain-teaser in the dictionary. Patsy Farrington and Sue Lanning cram for exams. *Bottom left:* Under the expert guidance of Mr. A. B. Hardee, Charles Shoaf and Sonny Conrad learn the use of the machines in the shop. *At bottom right:* Mary Bailey, Angella Foster, and Sarah Swicegood are at home on the range as they cook a delicious meal.



Top right: Peggy Cathell, the team's dream, is L. H. S. Homecoming Queen. *Top right:* Loyal supporters, Paige Sink, Sarah Swicegood, Jean Yarbrough, "Tillie" Beck, Barbara Craver, Pat Frye and Rena Ellis "whoop" up spirit for the Homecoming Game. *Middle left:* Behind the scenes of a beautiful parade we find Nancy Leonard and Curtis Carter busy working on their float. *Middle right:* L. H. S. students, silhouetted against the gigantic bonfire, cheer with that old school spirit. *Bottom left:* Fans of our school raise the sky with their yells and cheer the "Jackets" on!

Top left: Gordon Swaim, Rochelle Thomason, "Crab" Almond, Martha Walser, and Roy Varner enjoy gala Honor Society Halloween dance. *Top right:* "Starting on a shoestring" to gain membership in the Hi-Y, Jones Almond gives Ray Davis a shine. *Middle left:* "Tootsie," regular LEXICON student, gains attention from Sue Rogers, Betty McGee, Gloria Griffith, J. D. Goins, Ronnie Crow, and Charlie Overcash. Those five minutes during "the break" are strictly suicide; *shown middle right,* are Don Biesecker, Charles Leonard, Joel Harper, Ronnie Crow, Pete Byrd, Gordon Swaim, Eddie Cathell, and Macky Redwine. *Bottom left:* Pat Raker goes head over heels for Sue Westmoreland, Betty Block, Homer Shipwash, Margaret Powell, and Sarah Williamson. *Bottom right:* Football's over for another day and Dan Phillips and Curtis Williams take it slow but sure.

Last Will and Testament

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
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Lexington High School

We, THE SENIOR CLASS of 1953, having waited anxiously and long for graduation day to arrive, regretfully depart from the school which we have learned to love very dearly. Being of sound body, excellent health, and questionable mind, we declare this to be our last will and testament to be executed in the following order:

ARTICLE I. TO THE FACULTY

ITEM I. To Mr. Wike, our most capable principal, we leave a new pair of shoes which have heel taps on them instead of crepe soles, so that his footsteps may be heard as he "mousely" approaches.

ITEM II. To Mrs. Hedrick we leave a new gavel with a long handle which she can use to many advantages when her seniors do not practice parliamentary law as she teaches.

ITEM III. To our most wonderful band director, Mr. Wagner, we leave our hopes that L. H. S.'s band will not only be as good as it is now (for it suits us fine), but that it will attain his high ambition.

ITEM IV. To Mrs. Bowen we leave our desires for a chance for a second-year Shorthand class in the Senior High School as a fulfillment of her ambition, which thus far has been impossible.

ITEM V. To Miss Hill we leave another efficient first-period typing class who is really as good as we think we are.

ITEM VI. To Mrs. Lewis we leave more students who will love her and admire her as sincerely as we do.

ITEM VII. To Miss Manning we leave a National Honor Society law that all high averages can be included instead of just exceedingly high so that her splendid works and leadership can be appreciated by all.

ITEM VIII. To Miss Matthews we leave another unmarried, single, and goodlooking bus driver for the Senior Tour.

ITEM IX. To all the teachers we leave more students who will follow their sound advice and good examples as well if not better than we have succeeded in doing.

ARTICLE II. TO THE CLASSES

ITEM I. To the in-coming Seniors we leave our envied front seats, our royal caps and gowns (plus the last payment due on them), and all of our other Senior (?) privileges which we would have liked to enjoy.

ITEM II. To the new Juniors we leave that joyous year of planning the Junior-Senior Banquet, and the hustle and bustle of attending it.

ITEM III. To the Sophomores we bestow that long-awaited title of "Upperclassmen."

ITEM IV. To the Freshmen we leave four wonderful years of enjoyment at the new school.

ARTICLE III. TO THE INDIVIDUALS

ITEM I. Emma Bruton leaves her athletic ability to her little sister, Alice, and the *Lexhipep* to Rochelle Thomason.

ITEM II. Rebecca Carlton bequeaths her title as "Queen" to Helen Thomason.

ITEM III. Eugene Pope surrenders his tallness and good looks to Corky Webb.

ITEM IV. John Byron Lopp leaves his broad shoulders and popularity to Bill Lee.

ITEM V. Charles Overcash wills his intelligence (which he wishes he had) to Carlyle Craven and himself to Gladys Hemphill.

ITEM VI. Louise Beck surrenders talents to Elaine Medlin.

ITEM VII. Phyllis Breedon's cuteness is left to Hazel Owen.

ITEM VIII. Beryl Block wills her pleasing personality to her little sister, Betty, and herself to "Tiny."

ITEM IX. Nancy Foard's wit and crazy nonsense is given to none other than Nancy Alley.

ITEM X. Gordon Swaim leaves "Tootsie" to Caroline and both of them to L. H. S. for a few more years.

ITEM XI. Macky Redwine and "Pete" Byrd leave (they hope).

ITEM XII. Jake Ayers leaves his witty remarks to J. D. Goins and his corny jokes to Jerry Kearns.

ITEM XIII. Mary Cox invests her dependability in Carol Harvey for the year 1953-54.

ITEM XIV. Gladys Comer wills her dynamite brain to anyone who thinks that they can handle it. But who wants it??

ITEM XV. Carson Tate surrenders his snazzy clothes to J. R. Fowler.

ITEM XVI. Jeanette Leonard leaves her quiet ways to Nancy Leonard.

ITEM XVII. Sarah Williamson and Margaret Ann Powell mournfully leave Ed Covington and Don Biesecker.

ITEM XVIII. Tommy Snyder leaves to Bobby Miller the "it" that was left to him by Hayden Hooper that had its beginning with "Dirty" Everhart.

ITEM XIX. Jones Almond surrenders his many abilities to anyone who will pay him 50c per week.

Written, witnessed, signed, sealed, and delivered the 1st day of January, anno domini one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

BECKY STRANGE, *Testator.*

Witnesses:
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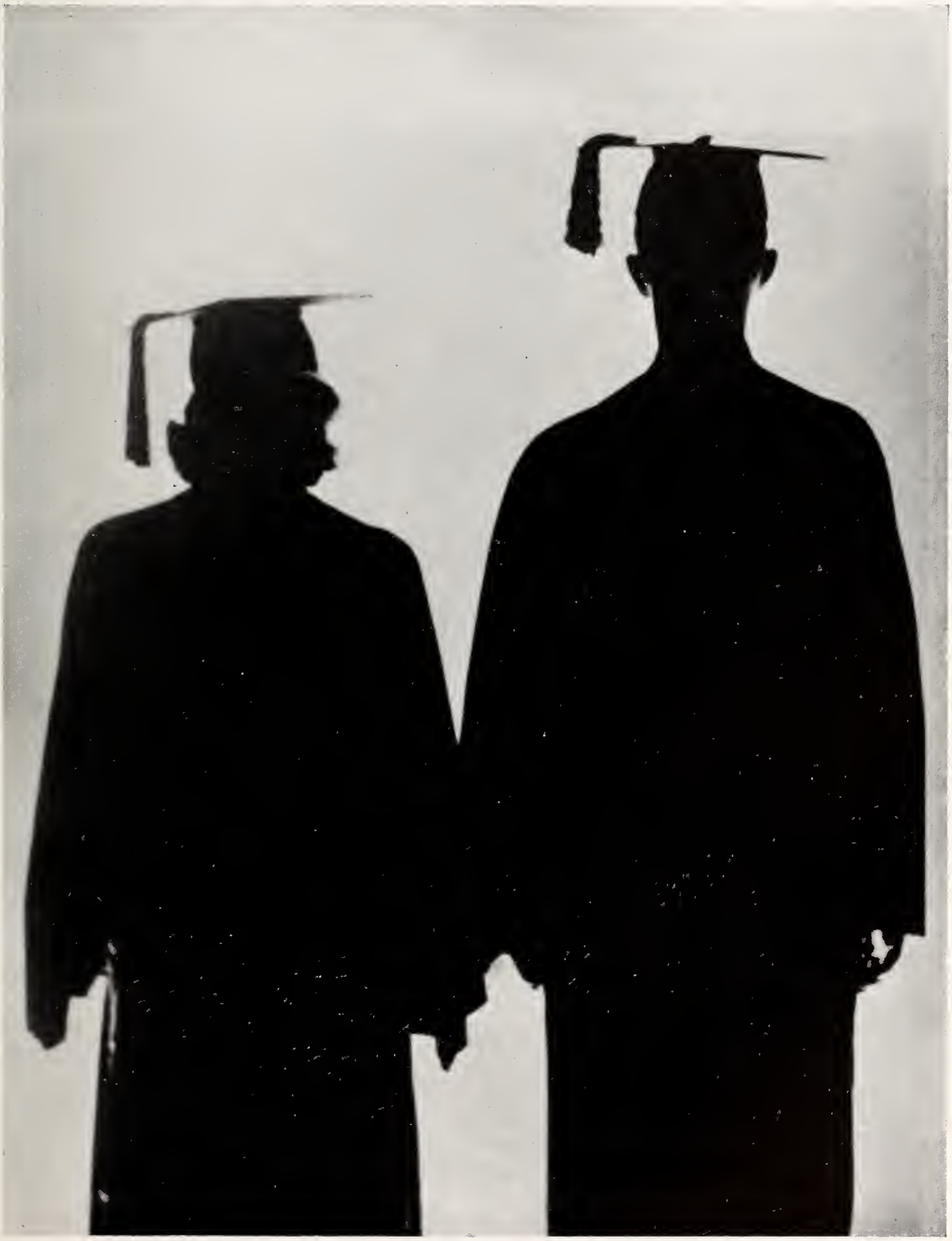

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To almost all students, the LEXICON is a picture book and fifth period, a "play" period; but to the fourteen members of our staff, it is a lot of work but also a great deal of fun. There are so many small, unnoticed things that go into the production of an annual, yet each is just as important as the big things; therefore, we would like to thank all who had a part in making the 1953 LEXICON a reality instead of a dream.

Especially to Miss Betty Jo Ring who gave so unselfishly of her time and energy to come to the aid of our "greenhorn" staff; and to Mr. Andrews, Mr. Wike, Mrs. Frady, and to each faculty member who co-operated with us so much, we can only say a sincere, "Thank you."

Much praise is due to our assistant editor, John Byron Lopp, also to Beryl Block, Betty McGee, and Gloria Griffith, our literary staff. A highlight in our yearbook is sports; therefore, the credit goes to Ronnie Crow and Robert Hedrick. Our most efficient typist was Sue Rogers. Without her, the book could never gone to press. To Rebecca Yarbrough goes a great deal of credit for keeping all of our finances and book work in order.

We wish to express our appreciation to the business staff, Charles Overcash, J. D. Goins, Helen Thomason, and Bobby Miller. Without your help, our book would not have been complete; ads are the backbone of any yearbook.

To Johnnie Wilson, who did much for the staff morally and so much physically, we can only say thanks. Though he died a tragic death, he left behind enough good that he will always be remembered by everyone, especially members of this staff.

Several students who are not on this year's staff contributed greatly in making this book the best. Thanks goes to Harry Dillehay and Sue Lanning for their artistic ability; to Mary Cox, for her poetic works; and most of all, Jeanette Williams, who stepped in when we needed her most. Not everyone can take a picture, but Jeanette has proved most versatile in all she undertook.

A great part of our appreciative thoughts are directed to Mr. William Oliver Smith, whose ideas and suggestions were so invaluable to us, and to the company he represents—Edwards & Broughton.

Though we had our tight moments and some tight words, we feel we can never fully thank all the participating "good sports"; but in fullest connotation of the words—"We learned a great deal; we worked a good deal; we laughed even more; and we thank you."

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Top: Robert Hedrick, Ronnie Crow, Beryl Block, Gloria Griffith, and Charles Overcash—all members of the LEXICON staff—stop for a snapshot while proof-reading the inevitable "dummy." *Bottom:* Rena Mae Ellis and David Morgan discuss the traditional senior problem—calling cards.

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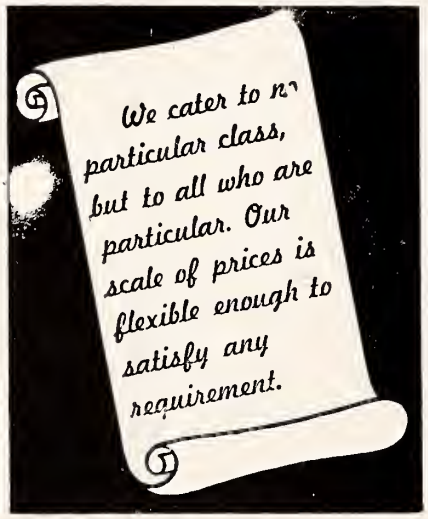

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Top: Mrs. Hedrick, Miss Brooks, Miss Tucker, and Miss Matthews harmonize after the Faculty Assembly Program. *Bottom:* Kathryn Fitch's and Nancy Carolyn Potts' parents proudly congratulate them on their recent induction into the National Honor Society.

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Top: Isn't this a typical pose! Gerald Sutton listens as Mr. Clark "puts her in the know" on some of the latest gossip. *Bottom:* John Byron Lopp receives the "candle" from Ronnie Crow during a recent Honor Society induction. Charles Overcash, another member looks for another potential member, as Buddy Link grins expectantly (but in vain).

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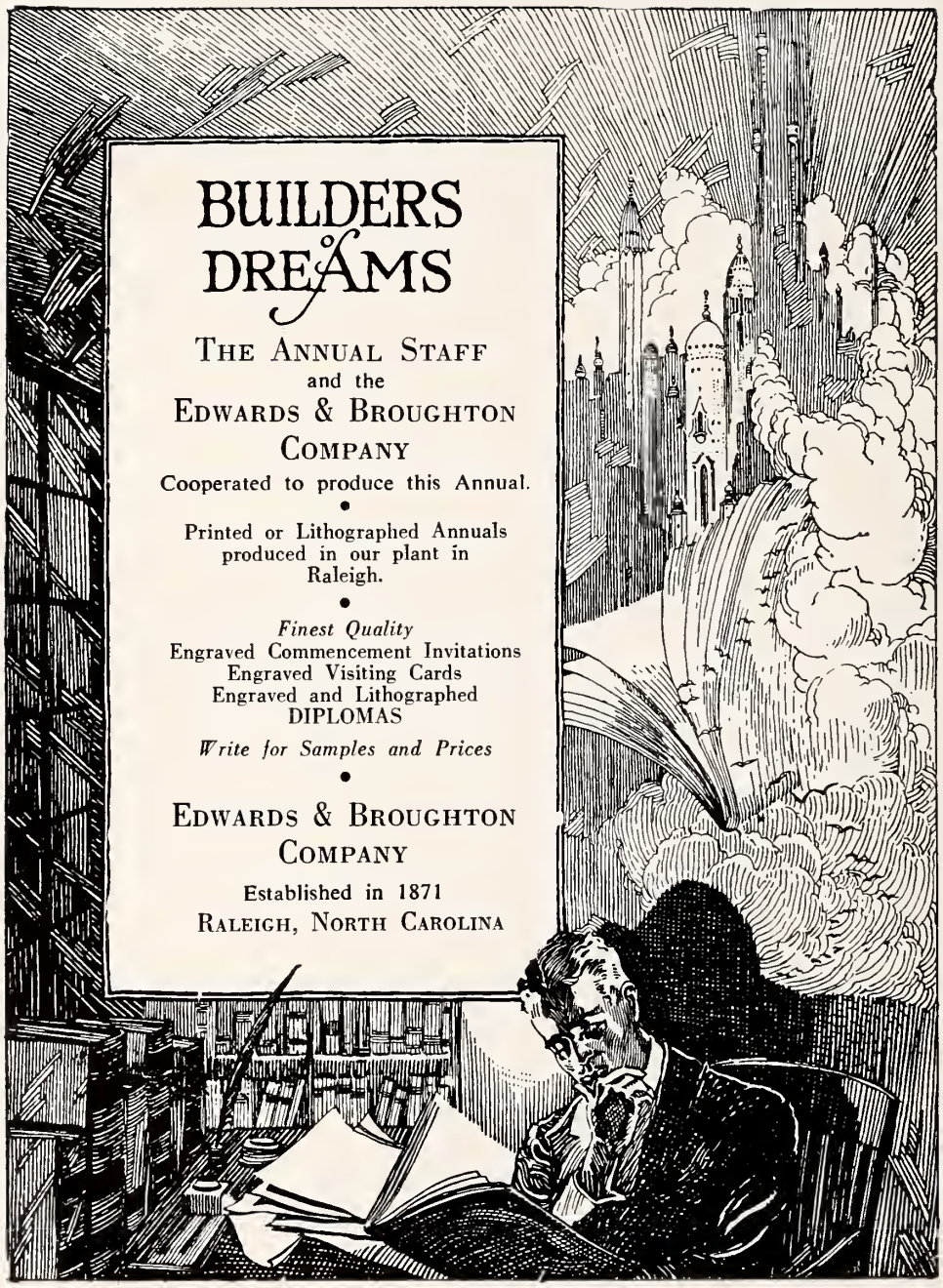
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